# Middle School Mathematics

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# Chappaqua's Comprehensive Approach to Mathematics

# Five Core Beliefs for High Quality Mathematics Instruction

- Equity
- Curriculum
- Teaching
- Learning
- Assessment



## 6-8 Math Curriculum Resources

# Big Ideas Math

Rigorous, Focused, and Coherent

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Curriculum Resources for Middle School

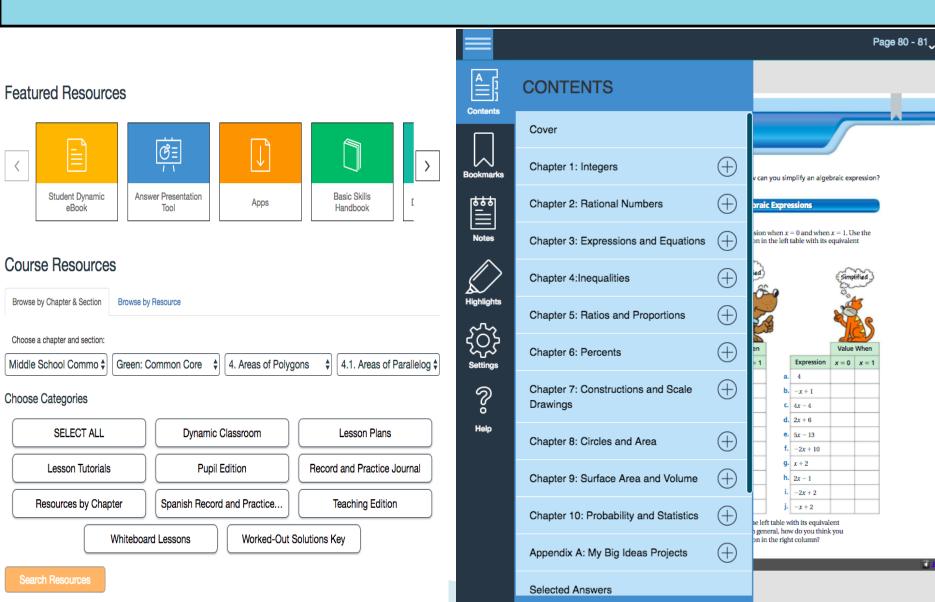


# **Core Components of Big Ideas**

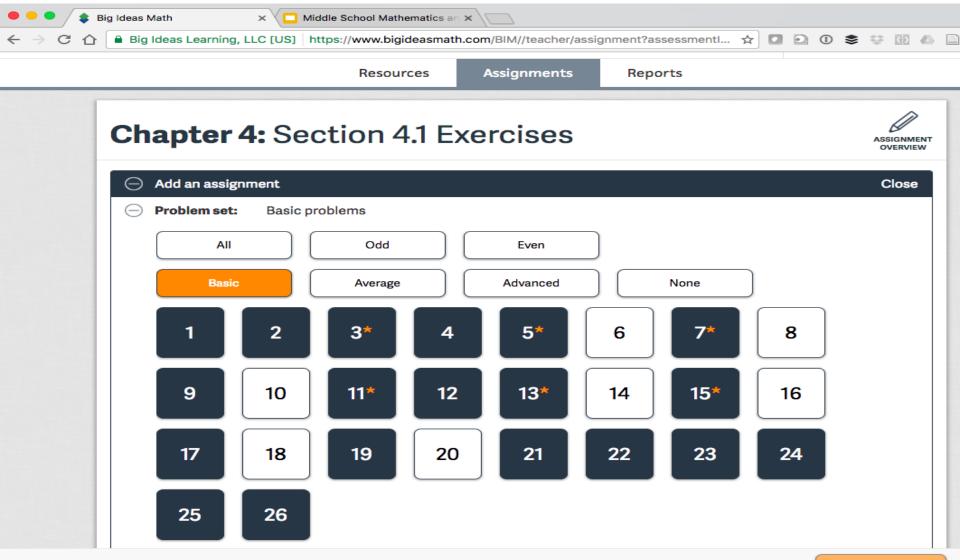
- Fully editable worksheets
- Smart Notebook lessons
- Differentiated materials
- Online materials for students and teachers



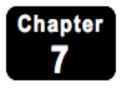
## **Online Materials**



# Online Assignments and Progress Monitoring



## **STEAM Performance Tasks**



#### Performance Task (continued)

#### Launching a CubeSat

CubeSats are low cost satellites. You have a choice of 3 different CubeSats to buy. How do you decide which is the best choice?

	G-Force	Pressure	Temperature	Cost
CubeSat 1	Can withstand up to 6 g	Operates at a pressure less than 1 atmosphere	Minimum of -30°C Maximum of 70°C	\$7500
CubeSat 2	Can withstand up to 7 g	Operates at a pressure less than 1.2 atmospheres	Minimum of -29°C Maximum of 75°C	\$8200
CubeSat 3	Can withstand up to 7 g	Operates at a pressure less than 1.3 atmospheres	Minimum of -33°C Maximum of 79°C	\$8400



# Implementation and Professional Development

#### Summer 2016

- Introduction to Materials
- Bridging Singapore Math and Big Ideas

#### Fall 2016

- Initial use of materials, online assignments, and performance tasks
- Small group instruction and differentiation

#### Winter/Spring 2016-2017

 Further professional development on online materials, small group instruction, differentiation, and performance tasks

#### Workshops

- Mathematical Mindset
- Bar Modeling for Middle School



# Teaching & Learning in the Digital Age



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### **Vision**

- Technology is an essential element in the design of effective learning and teaching environments.
- Digital fluency and citizenship are instrumental in the academic success of students and their preparation for college and careers.
- Professional learning for educators must include strategies for seamlessly integrating technology into the learning process.



# Connecting Technology to Classroom Practice

- Computational Thinking
   Foundations of Coding 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- Canvas Digital Learning Platform
- Tiny House Pilot Project Middle School



# Tiny House Pilot Seven Bridges 8th grade

#### How the pilot came to be:

- Last year's work
- Values, beliefs and end goals for students
- Content area and skills overlaps-Architecture
- Design of a project that is a long-term, realworld, authentic problem
- Opportunity through scheduling aligned quarters (creative approach to time and space)





## **Tiny House Pilot Project Overview**

- Skills-Architecture, 2D (AutoCad), 3D (Sketch-up), design, prototyping
- Self-assessment of strengths and weaknesses/groupings
- Job specialization/companies/deadlines/budgets
- Client interviews and design proposals (floor plans, exterior renderings, interior renderings, budget)
- Building scale models
- Final presentations



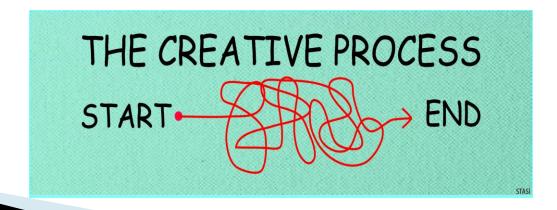


## Real World and Authentic Learning

Designing for a Client

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- Looking at current trends in building and living tiny
  - Granny pod/telehealth
  - Rising cost of college expenses
  - Sustainable/green building
- Long-term problem that has a wide range of possible solutions



# **Future Learning**

- Next semester
- Looking forward to next year and beyond
- Thinking differently about...
  - time
  - space
  - collaboration

Too often we give children answers to remember rather than problems to solve

~ Roger Lewin

Music technology training for teachers: www.midnightmusic.com.au

