

Mentoring Minds Think Up! Math Book

Dear Mitchell Parents,

As I am sure you are aware, our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade math standards are quite rigorous. Nearly half of the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade standards were previous standards from grades 6-9. Because of this, our teachers have searched for materials suitable to teach these expectations. They have discovered that several other intermediate schools are using the "Think Up!" math series which has proven to be invaluable. A student copy must be purchased for every child as they are consumable and updated annually. Our teachers feel the materials are exceptional and a must for every child.

When the teachers consulted with other math teachers in our district, they learned the parents helped to fund the cost of the student books. We would like to ask for your help to provide this resource. We realize school supplies can be costly, but we feel by asking you to order your child's book now as opposed to the beginning of the school year when so many other school-related costs are due that it might be more feasible for our families. While the state and district provide a textbook for the adopted textbook series, the textbook adoption is several years old. Think Up! Books are updated annually and include the presentation of the skills to provide the appropriate amount of challenge for our students. The total cost of purchasing the book for every child, since it is a consumable book that is updated annually, is cost prohibitive for our campus funding allocation or the Mitchell PTO. I wish we had enough money to purchase it for every child, but that isn't the reality.

We can't thank you enough for your support that will enable us to offer this instructional resource to our students and teachers. I hope you will agree once you see this exceptional book, that it will be a great resource for your child. Your child will be able to keep the book at the end of the school year to use for review and as a reference.

*If you purchase the Mitchell PTO School Supply Pack, the cost of the book is included in the pack.* There is no need to order this book separately if you purchased a school supply pack thru EPI. If you choose to purchase your child's school supplies, you will need to purchase the book separately on the website link below.

An online payment option is available at:

<https://conroeisd.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/19159/195/False/True>

Also, if you are able, there is an option online for you to donate the cost of another child's book whose family may not be able to pay the fee.

If you choose not to pay online, please submit a check for \$15.00 made out to: Mitchell Intermediate. Indicate "Math Book" in the Memo section of your check.

***Please order your child's book no later than August 20, 2020.*** Our goal is to order the materials prior to the end of the school year so that the books will be available the first week of school.

Thank you for your support,

Paula Klapesky  
Mitchell Intermediate Principal