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Attn: Elementary Teachers & Parents:
COMING TO YOUR STUDENTS: MATH GAMES and
The COMBO CARDS CONTEST!!! Saturday, April 12th
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM at Idlewild Park in Reno

Students' first names (2-4 per team): _____ Grade: _____

Teacher: _____ School: _____ Email: _____

COMBO CARDS CONTEST RULES

Each team has 10 rounds of play. Score will be kept for each round. Three minute time per round.

During a round of play, 5 cards will be turned face-up on the table for each team and another card will be placed face up in the middle of the table as the target number. Teams may use 2, 3, 4, or all 5 cards to make the target number using any combinations of the operations (+ - / and x). Fractions, squares, and square roots are not allowed. Each card may be used once and only once in the solution. Cards will be reshuffled and passed out for each round. Students in grades 1 through 5 will verbalize the solution strategy used to the scorekeeper. Students in grades 6 must write the equation correctly and show the scorekeeper to get points. If the equation is written or said incorrectly no points will be awarded for that round. Each card used in the solutions in all ten rounds will earn one point for the team. Maximum score would be 50 points for using all 5 cards in each of the 10 rounds of play.

Students and parents need to be aware that because this is a card game there are elements of both skill and luck involved. Some rounds may prove to be "impossible" because of the combination of cards turned up. In this case, or if no solution is found, a score of zero will be recorded for that round. This happened 22 out of 400 rounds last year (roughly 5% of the time).

The cards used will be the "Everyday Math Deck" for grades 3-6 which includes 4 each of the numbers 0-10 and 1 each of the numbers 11- 20. Grades 1 and 2 will use Everyday Math Deck cards numbered 0 through 6 for 1st grade and 0 through 9 for 2nd grade.

Each school may send as many teams per grade level as they wish. Each team must consist of 2, 3, or 4 students. If students from the same team are in different grades they will compete using the rules and cards required of the grade of the highest- grade student.

Registration must be **received** on or before the deadline of April 1, 2008. Send teacher name/grade level/# of students on the team/ school to: **Mary Wilson at Alyce Taylor E.S. 252 Egyptian Dr. Sparks, NV 89436. You may also email the information to mwilson@washoe.k12.nv.us.** Participating teachers will be notified of their team's exact contest time the week prior to the contest. Times will be set between 11 AM and 3 PM.

TEAMS scoring a perfect 50 points will receive a special prize for their persistence at the 4/12/08 Fair. All participants will receive complimentary prizes from the Northern Nevada Math Council of Teachers.

All the Math Fun you can have for FREE!