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Calculators are an integral component of instruction in 21st Century mathematics instruction. The use of a calculator does not replace the learning of essential skills; however, the use of appropriate technology is a vital part of the New York State Learning Standards. Calculators allow students to address real-life problems where the computations may be too rigorous or tedious for pencil and paper. New York State requires that calculators be available for student use during assessments. Tables of values, such as square roots and trigonometry, are no longer provided for students because the information is stored within their calculators.

It is in each student's best interest to have a calculator available for use at both home and in school. The school district provides some calculators for classroom use and the state assessments, but calculators are not allowed out of the classroom. Therefore, it is recommended that each student own his or her own personal calculator.

The following calculators are recommended for the 2020 - 2021 school year:

Math Course	Recommended Calculator
Math 6, Math 7	Texas Instruments TI-34 MultiView <i>Scientific Calculator</i>
Math 8	Texas Instruments TI-30X IIS <i>Scientific Calculator</i>
Accelerated Algebra I	TI-NSpire <i>Graphing Calculator</i>

Thank you for your continued support. We will incorporate calculators into our instruction throughout the school year.

Sincerely,

Kermit Buckman