

Common Core Math Unit Plan





AUHSD Common Core Math 1 Unit 1 – Integers and Operations with Rational Numbers Unit Plan

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Rationale: In grade seven, students represent addition and subtraction on a horizontal or vertical number line diagram (7.NS.1 a-c \blacktriangle) with rational numbers, which include negative numbers. Students add and subtract understanding p + q as the number located a distance |q| (the absolute value of q) from p on a number line, in the positive or negative direction, depending on whether q is positive or negative. They demonstrate that a number and its opposite have a sum of 0 (are additive inverses), and they understand subtraction of rational numbers as adding the additive inverse. Teachers are encouraged to teach operations with signed rational numbers using a conceptual model such as a number line model or area model. The focus is on both the interpretation of signed numbers as indicating direction (with respect to their placement on a number line with respect to 0) and on real world interpretations of signed numbers as positive or negative changes (gains or deficits) with respect to a 0 (e.g. 0 balance with respect to money, 0 degrees Celsius being when water freezes). Students discover and understand why the rules of multiplication and division of integers work.