By the end of 8th Grade Pre-Algebra, students will:



The Number System	Functions	Expressions and Equations	Geometry	Statistics and Probability
 Understand there are numbers that are not rational, and approximate them by using rational numbers Convert a terminating or repeating decimal to a rational number Use rational approximations of irrational numbers to compare the size of irrational numbers, locate them approximately on a number line diagram, and estimate the value of expressions 	 Define, evaluate, and compare functions Compare tables, graphs, and equations Interpret the equation y = mx + b as defining a linear function, whose graph is a straight line; give examples of functions that are not linear Use functions to model relationships between quantities Identify the rate of change and initial value of a linear function in the situation it models, and in terms of its graph or table of values 	 Work with radicals and integer exponents Perform operations with scientific notation Perform operations with integer exponents Understand the connection between proportional relationships, lines, and linear equations Graph proportional relationships, interpreting the unit rate as the slope of the graph Analyze and solve linear equations Solve linear equations including rational coefficients Solve systems of linear equations 	 Understand congruence and similarity using physical models or geometric software Identify transformations performed on a given object (reflections, rotations, translations, dilations) Understand that two figures are congruent if one can be obtained from another given a sequence of transformations (excluding dilations) Describe the effect of transformations on the coordinate plane Understand and apply the Pythagorean Theorem Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving volume of cylinders, cones, and spheres 	 Investigate patterns of association in bivariate data Construct and interpret scatter plots Use linear models to represent data and to solve problems Analyze frequency and relative frequency, and create two-way tables to represent distribution