

Gerding, Sarah

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Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2014 7:42 AM
To: Gerding, Sarah
Subject: RE: Math Academy

Hi Mrs. Gerding,

Thank you so much for being so flexible with Keira and the Math Academy. She would like to go on Mondays using an I-pad and again on Fridays. We talked about doing her best and being responsible by finishing out the program.

On another note, Keira absolutely loves having you teach her this year. She was so cute when she told me how your husband is buying you another dog when you get your first teaching job.

Enjoy the snowy day!

Kelly Mertz

From: Gerding, Sarah
Sent: 3/11/2014 4:05 PM
To: 'Kelly Mertz'
Subject: Math Academy

Hi Mrs. Mertz,

Sorry I didn't get back to you earlier today about the Math Academy situation...it's been a crazy day!

I have a few ideas for you... Keira can feel free to choose whichever she feels the most comfortable with! I want her to have fun (and learn of course 😊) and if Math Academy is not fun for her then I definitely do not want her to feel like she has to come...so here are some options:

- She can come to Math Academy only 1 or 2 days per week, maybe on Fridays when we "preview" the lessons for the next week (since that will be information she hasn't seen yet) or maybe on Mondays when we go to the computer lab? I was thinking of setting her up with an Ipad and having her try some apps that are more challenging.
- She can continue to come for the 3 days and I will work on having differentiated activities for her to do (Ipad, maybe a special math project that is more challenging, etc.).
- She can decide to just stay at C.A.R.E. instead of coming to Math Academy (note: this is totally ok if it's what she chooses! I know you wanted her to finish it since she committed to it but I truly thought we would have a few more students at her level and since we don't, I understand why she might not be enjoying it as much). I checked with the person who runs the program and he said it is perfectly fine if she decides it's not for her (especially because she was invited because she goes to C.A.R.E., not because we thought she needed the extra support).

I hope this makes sense! I love having Keira with us, and if she wants to continue I will certainly do my best to make it more enjoyable. However, I want her to be as happy as she can be! Just let me know what she decides 😊

Thanks,
Mrs. Gerding