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Hello everyone,

A big thank you to all that came out last night to learn about the mathematics opportunities for current 5th grades students as they transition to Ottoson Middle School. We had just shy of 200 community members attend and the enthusiasm from all was great to see.

Here are a slew of resources for all:

[Transition to OMS Math Presentation](#): Here is the presentation for all to see and review.

[Massachusetts State Standards](#): Please refer to this document to learn about the standards through all grades.

[Illustrative Mathematics](#): Please use this resource to access some sample problems that relate to each standard. The navigation for this site is great and the resources give a comprehensive overview of the relevant mathematics.

Bypassing Math 6: If you would like to sit for the exam, please register [here](#). Please refer to the presentation to learn more about the criteria for admission.

A Book Recommendation: For those of you that would like to read about some of the shifts in the way teachers are teaching mathematics, check out the book [Old Dog, New Math: Homework Help for Puzzled Parents](#).

A Video Recommendation: For those of you that would like to watch a [video](#) from Jo Boaler, a math education researcher, regarding current research about math education, check this out. Here is a [link](#) to some parent resources as well.

Have a great weekend,

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