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ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — All of Florida is carefully watching Tropical Storm Erika as the disorganized system makes its way over Hispaniola.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami said that as of 11 a.m. Friday, the forecast showed the storm hitting the state Monday. The forecast path has Erika skirting the state's Gulf Coast and then moving up Florida's spine north of Tampa.

The next 24 hours will be critical in the storm's development, hurricane center meteorologist James Franklin

spokesman Dennis said.

"It's way too early to say how much rainfall will be in Florida," Feltgen said.

Feltgen said that parts of Georgia and Carolina, could see it in the coming days.

Some rain would come in South Florida there's been a drought in the state, Feltgen said that a drought in a dry area also cause problems.

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Instructor Dallas Moe and facilitator Quinn Novy with some of the materials that will be used in the math training workshop for parents.

'New math' can carry some frustrations

Parent workshop aims to ease the homework chores

Parents, along with their children, have some opportunities to go back to school this fall.

In an effort to ease the frustrations that may come with math homework, the Unified School District of Antigo will offer MAPPS: Math and Parent Partners, an eight-week program for parents, beginning Sept. 21.

"Every parent knows the frustration

of trying to help a child with a math problem when the teaching method is unfamiliar to the parent," Dr. Don Child, district administrator, said.

"And often, some of the most confusing math concepts for students are decimals, fractions and percents."

The program was developed at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and directed by Dr. Andrea Knapp.

Local liaison is Quinn Novy, who has gone through the training with her children and pushed for the program's implementation in Antigo.

"The no-cost program for parents and students in grades kindergarten through eighth has been successfully offered at several area school districts to high praise from parents," Childs

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s said. Math teacher Dallas Mc will facilitate the sessions and volunteers and teacher will man classrooms with math activities for student when they are not co-learning with their parents.

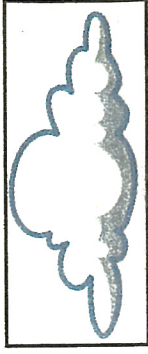
The eight-week program will be offered on Monday nights from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and will include refreshments sponsored by local businesses, including Butch's SuperValu, Dixie Lunch, Swartzendruber's Supper Club, Banner Banks, CoVantage Credit Union, Antigo Family Chiropractic Center and bbJack's.

"We've really been impressed with the support we are receiving from our local businesses," Novy said.

Registration is currently open and each of the elementary schools and middle school will send home flyers about the program. Further information can be obtained from Novy or from the district

said. "The trend is for a gradual lessening," he said. "Yesterday we were talking about a hurricane; today we're talking about a tropical storm."

There's still uncertainty in the track because Hispaniola's mountains could disrupt or break up the storm. And it is too early to tell whether the storm will bring flooding to areas of the Tampa Bay region that experienced problems in recent weeks due to heavy rain, Hurricane center



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