Bringing Mathematics Home 7

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Large Number Activity

Younger children

Exploration: This week your child will do an exploration. They will think of the largest number they can write. This will be posted on the refrigerator. They will ask their friends (not teachers) if there is a larger number. Each time they find a larger number it will also be posted on the refrigerator. Your job in this exploration is to watch the process that your child goes through. You need to make sure that older brothers and sisters do not interfere with this process.

- · Tomorrow ask your child to write the largest number that he/she can think of.
- Admire how large that number is and post it on your refrigerator. Tell your child that this week we will explore to see if this is the largest number.
- · Have your child ask their friends if there is a larger number.
- If they find a larger number post it.

Be ready to share this process with other people in your group.

My largest number is: