5th Grade



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Be sure to check agenda and data folder



Take Home Tuesday work



Weekly newsletter sent home on Monday



Please let us know if you have an updated email



Newsletter

- We send home a weekly newsletter with the students each Monday.
- This newsletter has our contact information if you need to reach out to one of us for any reason.
- We also include any upcoming events, tests, or quizzes.
- The math homework for the week is attached to the newsletter.
- Please make sure you are reading the newsletter for upcoming information.

Expectations

• See expected behaviors in data binder (same as report card).

- Teachers will use the behavior tracker for you to see behavior concerns.
- We have implemented the consequence system sent home the first week of school. Reach out if you did not get a copy.
- We are also using a positive reinforcement ticket system. Students get to cash in every other week.



Behavior Expectations

 Good behavior is key to a good education. If we have to stop class to adjust and redirect behaviors, everyone loses learning time. In order to ensure the best use of our time, we have this behavior plan in place if Grade Level Expectations are violated. 1st Offense: Verbal warning to fix the issue/attitude.

2nd Offense: Note in agenda and 5 minutes of Recess time converted to laps.

3rd Offense: Note in agenda, 10 minutes of Recess time converted to laps, phone call home

4th Offense: Note in agenda, ALL Recess time converted to laps, Silent Lunch

Expected Behaviors

• When children are engaged, participating, and ready to get the most of their day, they have the chance to earn and save up tickets to be spent at the classroom store every other week. If you are interested in donating any items to the store, please let Mrs. Schroeder or Mrs. Cavanaugh know. :) 15 tickets = a small candy treat

30 tickets= a small fidget or handheld toy

50 tickets= a large fidget or handheld toy

75-100= extra recess, special lunch with a friend, other special in-class privileges.



What if my child is quarantined?

- If you have access to technology, your student can get work off of Canvas.
- If you do not have technology, please email your child's homeroom teacher. He/she will let the other teachers know, and we will get a packet of work together for you to pick up from the office

Data Binder



- This should always be in the student's backpack.
- Data reports are added after each subject assessments.
- Behavior tracker and agenda are also located here.
- This is a great tool to use to follow your child's progress!



WRITING

- Student expectations increase each year, as the state rubric is for grades 3-5.
- The rubric is based on 10 points. This year a 7/10 is a C. The expectation is a 7/10 or higher to be considered a passing score.
- Students have a copy of this in their ELA binder. If you would like a copy for home, please reach out to Mrs. Schroeder or myself.
- Writing will be focused on informational and opinion texts.
- Writing skills that will be important this year: transitioning smoothly, word choice, and elaboration.

- Now is the time your learner makes the jump from learning to read to reading to learn. We will spend the year analyzing the words, structures, and content of texts across a variety of genres. We will be thinking critically about our background knowledge (what we already know before reading), how the text connects to us on a personal level and why the content is important to our learning.
- Students will be pushed into a "struggle zone" on a regular basis to ensure they are exposed to on-level (or beyond) text that is specifically designed to help stretch their thinking and abilities as a reader. We grow the most during these struggles as we persevere through the challenges to gain a deeper understanding of what the author is trying to say.
- Students are encouraged to read EVERY DAY at home. We know things are hectic, but studies have shown carving out just 20 minutes beyond the school day to read drastically improves a child's ability to succeed.



Science

• Mr. Havre will be teaching all the 5th grade science courses.

We will be covering:

- Nature of Science
- Physical Science
- Earth Science
- Life Science
- STEM Fair
- Science Olympics





Math

- Math in 5th grade covers a lot of different topics, so we move quickly to make sure everything get covered. The big topics that we cover in 5th grade math are:
- Multi digit multiplication
- Division
- Fractions
- -add and subtract unlike denominators
- multiply and divide fractions
- fractions as decimals
- Decimals
- place value of decimals
- compare
- adding and subtracting
- multiply and divide
- Powers of ten
- Coordinate plane
- Order of Operations
- Sort and identify shapes
- Convert measurement
- Area, Perimeter, and Volume

Math

 Students get math homework nightly, and we go over it the next day. It is not required to turn it in to me, because they get a complete/incomplete grade each day for having it done. The math homework covers review items as well as topics we are currently doing in class to reinforce the skills.

• All students should have also brought home an additional practice book. Each week in the newsletter, I put page numbers that correspond with what we are doing in class for those who want extra practice.

