

Behavior Management

Each student will be required to have their binder and materials with them for each class throughout the day. All 5th grade teachers will be using Class Dojo to record any immediate rewards or concerns with behavior. We will expect the parents to check Dojo daily.



Remember to be your **BEST**
Be Respectful
Engaged
Safe, &
Take Pride in our school!



Consequences

This year we will be using a student discipline form as needed for student behavior. Consequences are listed below:

- 1st Warning/loss of Dojo points
- 2nd Loss of Recess or time out in class
- 3rd Parent notification by Dojo or phone/time out in another classroom
- 4th Office Referral

No Tolerance for Bullying

Bullying in any form will not be tolerated. Parents will be immediately contacted if their child is involved. Please make sure to read the following page with your child about the different forms of bullying. If your child is a victim of bullying, they must tell one of their teachers as soon as it happens.

What is bullying?

- * Someone is threatening to beat you up in school, including when walking to or from school, when you get off the bus, while talking to you on your cell phone or while you are online using instant messaging, in chat rooms or by email.
- * Someone is taking something of yours without your permission.
- * Someone is spreading rumors about you or your family. (whether it is true or not)
- * Someone is embarrassing you in front of others by either calling you names or doing something to you (like hiding your book, pulling your seat out from under you, etc.)
- * Someone is telling other kids not to talk to you or be friends with you.
- * Someone continues to shove into you in the halls and says it is always an accident.
- * Someone is harassing you (always following you around, whistling at you when you walk by, making comments about your body, etc.)

Rituals and Routines

Rituals and routines are put into place to aide in the efficiency of running a classroom. Although these procedures are not rules, they are expected to be followed and respected in all classrooms.

Masks in the Classroom

At this point in the school year, masks are optional for all students. Masks should be manageable by the student and should fit within school dress code. Teachers will not be responsible for student mask participation. If you would like your child to wear mask at

school, please discuss this with him/her as it will be their responsibility. In addition, ridicule for students choose to wear/not wear a mask will not be tolerated. (See bullying section)

Voice Level

Students will be expected to adhere to an appropriate classroom voice level. There will be times when we will be working in groups and they will be in discussion. However, during times when we are working independently there should be little to no voice in the classroom.

Restroom, water, and tissue procedures

Students will be directed at the beginning of the school year when it is appropriate time to get up out of their seat and move around. Tissues and hand sanitizer, as well as the sink with soap, is readily available in each classroom. It is important for students to learn and facilitate this behavior with logic and good judgment. We will be using the restroom before and after lunch and during other transition times.

Snacks/Water bottles

Each homeroom teacher will establish a snack time. Students will continue working through snack to ensure that all instructional time is used. Snacks should be clean, healthy options and not candy. Please do not send anything that requires a spoon. Students are encouraged to bring refillable water bottles to avoid use of the water fountains. We ask that if you send a water bottle, please be sure it has a sports cap top to avoid spills.

Class Participation

Students are expected to participate in all areas of instruction. **Students who choose not to use their time wisely and do not complete assignments/projects and various instructional tasks will be required to complete them at home or during recess.**

Homework

Homework will look differently this year as all assignments will be assigned via Canvas. Students will be trained on how to log in and complete their assignments weekly. Look for more information to come from your child's homeroom teacher. Homework establishes an opportunity for students to master, reinforce, or determine a weakness that needs to be strengthened and is an excellent way for the parent to be a part of a student's academic progress. As stated above, students who fail to complete assignments will do so during their recess or other free time.

Graded Work

Each Tuesday, your child will bring home graded assignments in his/her binder. Please take the time to review these assignments and read any important messages that may be included.

Absences

School absences will be treated differently this year than in the past. It is imperative that students are attending school daily, but if they are sick, please keep them home. If your child is absent, please email or fax the excuse. This includes doctor or parent notes. Parent notes **MUST** have a signature. You may screenshot the written excuse and email or fax it to the school. **Teachers CANNOT accept paper notes at this time.**

Communication

We are encouraging digital communication this year. We will send a lot of communication through email and Class Dojo. Please be sure you have connected with your child's class. A 5th grade newsletter will be sent electronically. The newsletter will detail happenings on the grade level as well as school wide. Please feel free to contact any of your 5th Grade teachers via email at any time.

Transportation

Any changes in transportation must be made via fax to the school **ONLY**. It also must have a parent signature, so you may write the note and then fax it to the school at 770-443-2653. Students will not be able to ride the bus home with other students this year. There will be **NO** changes in transportation after 12:00pm.

Supplies

- 1 inch binder
- 4 plastic notebook dividers with pockets
- 6 Composition books • crayons (24 count)
- colored pencils • highlighters
- 20 pre-sharpened pencils
- Pencil pouch (no boxes please)
- 3 Wide ruled packs of notebook paper

- 1 subject spiral notebook
- 2 pronged pocket folders
- 10 glue sticks
- 1 liquid glue
- 1 pair scissors
- Tissues
- cap or large pink erasers