



**WELCOME TO 5TH GRADE!**

**ST MICHAEL-  
ALBERTVILLE  
MIDDLE SCHOOL  
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**2022-2023**

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## DAILY SCHEDULE

PERIOD 1 (KORT)	8:25-8:50
PERIOD 2 (RESPONSIVE HOUR)	8:55-9:47
PERIOD 3	9:51-10:43
LUNCH/RECESS	10:43-11:16
PERIOD 4	11:20-12:12
PERIOD 5	12:16-1:08
PERIOD 6	1:12-2:04
PERIOD 7	2:08-3:00

## HELPING YOUR 5TH GRADER

- Check your child's planner on a consistent basis.
- Use teacher websites to see what is being done in each class as well as assignments given.
- Help your child develop positive academic habits by modeling study skills and encouraging independence and self-advocacy.
- Encourage your child to meet with his/her teacher if s/he needs additional assistance.
- Replenish your child's school supplies throughout the year (especially pencils).

PLEASE CHECK **PARENTVUE** ON A REGULAR BASIS FOR UPDATES ON STUDENT GRADES AND MISSING WORK.

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## HOMework & GRADING

### Language Arts

Homework will be assigned as needed to reinforce skills taught in class. Grades will be figured as follows: 10% Word Study, 30% Practice, 60% Assessments/Quizzes/Projects

### Social Studies & Science

Homework will be assigned periodically to reinforce skills taught in class. Grades will be figured as follows: 30% Practice/Homework, 70% Assessments/Quizzes/Projects

### Math

Students will be given approximately 4 tests each trimester. Homework will be assigned each night. Grades will be figured as follows: 10% Homework, 30% Quizzes, 60% Tests

### Homework Policy

We expect students to turn in their homework by the given due date. Students will lose points for late work.

In the case of a student with a 504 plan or IEP, those documents will always supersede other grade-level policies.

### Grading Scale

A = 90 - 100%  
B = 80 - 89%  
C = 70 - 79%  
D = 60 - 69%  
F = Below 60%

# CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

**KORT** stands for Knights of the Round Table, and it's when students listen to announcements, have reading time, and participate in Character Education lessons as well as community building activities.

**Language Arts** coursework includes word study, reading strategies, and writing, which are directly aligned with the MN state standards. The reading curriculum is a combination of Interactive Reading Notebook work, short stories, and novels.

**Social Studies** students will immerse themselves in American History from Ancient Americans to Western Expansion. Topics include: Native Americans, Explorers, The Thirteen colonies, and the Revolutionary War.

**Math** curriculum is aligned to the MN state standards. Topics include Number Theory, Estimation and Computation, Geometry, Fractions, Decimals and Percents, Addition and Subtraction of Fractions, Coordinates, Area, Volume, and Algebraic Concepts and Skills.

**Science** includes a variety of topics aligned with the MN state standards. Studies include, but are not limited to, the exploration of engineering concepts, physical, life, and earth sciences.

**Art** students will study the Elements and Principles of Art. Students will learn Line, Shape, Value, Space, Form, Texture, and Color while creating an assortment of artwork. A diverse group of artists from around the world and art styles will also be explored.

**General Music** is where students learn the elements of music and music theory. They apply what they learn through quizzes, tests, and the composing and mixing program Garage Band.

**Physical Education** students do not change clothes for class. They need to have clean, dry shoes appropriate for the gym floors. Students will learn various skills for team and individual sports.

**Band** is a year-long Responsive Hour course where students learn the basics of their chosen band instrument through small group lessons and full group settings. We have two concerts per year. Students will need an instrument 1st trimester for lessons.

**Choir** is a year-long Responsive Hour course where students learn basic choral skills, note reading, vocal development and music theory as they rehearse their concert music. They have three concerts per year at the high school Performing Arts Center. Occasional small group lessons are also available.