

# WELCOME TO 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE!

September 2023

Dear Students/Parents,

Welcome to 5th grade! This year will be packed full of learning adventures that I hope will be both exciting and challenging. Our class motto is “Never settle for anything less than your best”. I expect each and every one of you to try new things, ask for help, and never give up. Those will be the key ingredients to your success in this grade.

This year we will be finding adventure in class novels, becoming scientists investigating hidden worlds, discovering our nation’s elaborate history, and using manipulatives to master math skills. As 5th grade teachers, we endeavor to create an educational partnership with you and your scholar that will foster courage, determination, accountability and passion for knowledge. As we embark on a school year filled with a rich and rigorous curriculum, it is our commitment as educators to provide your scholar with a nurturing yet challenging educational curriculum and culture that will ensure academic success.

Since the curriculum and State Exams are so diverse and rigorous in 5th grade, homework will be an extremely vital reinforcement tool for your scholar's academic mastery. Homework will be assigned every night, which is expected to be turned in on time and fully completed when due. Our scholar will also be responsible for various assignments/projects that may require commitment of time over the weekend to complete.

Since attendance and scholarly behavior at School 12 is crucial to the learning process, it is imperative that your scholar attends school every day on time, in uniform, and ready to learn. Your scholar should be at school no later than 8:20 am. Please be aware that one minute later will be considered a marked tardy. During the first few weeks of school, we will work together to establish classroom rules, routines, and set high expectations as well as introduce our incentives and bonuses for exceptional scholarly performance.

We look forward to building a collaborative relationship with you and your scholar for an exciting and productive year ahead! The supply list for the upcoming school year is attached. Please be sure that your child has supplies throughout the entire year. Instruction is delayed when students do not have the supplies needed.

Sincerely,

The Fifth Grade Team



- ★ Backpack
- ★ 5 Folders
- ★ 4 marble composition notebooks
- ★ 6 notebooks
- ★ 2 boxes of pencils
- ★ Crayons (24 count)/colored pencils
- ★ Pencil sharpener with lid
- ★ Glue sticks
- ★ Pencil pouch
- ★ Earbuds/headphones
- ★ 1 box of tissues
- ★ Disinfecting wipes
- ★ Hand sanitizer
- ★ Post-Its
- ★ Dry erase markers
- ★ Reusable water bottle (WATER ONLY)