

5th Grade At A Glance



Striving to “bee” the best in attitude and effort!

Contact Information:

Messages can be left for the fifth grade teachers at the following numbers:

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Homework:

On Monday, all of the fifth grade teachers pass out math, spelling and reading log homework.

These are due by Friday of that

same week. Point deductions may be taken for late assignments. Additionally, Ms. Brigham assigns daily oral language homework due that same week. Homework also consists of completing work not finished during time provided and preparing for tests.

Language Arts:

Fifth grade students will focus on meaning and communication as they listen, speak, view, read and write in personal, social and academic contexts. Through the use of a literature-based program, the students will develop independent reading skills and gain a life-long enthusiasm for reading.

- Students will explore literature through the basis of their basal reader and selected novels.

- Students will create a collection of poetry and present these at Young Authors.
- Students will produce a research paper based on a famous American from the past or present.
- Students will apply the writing process to produce various writing pieces throughout the year.

Math:

Fifth graders will learn many things that will help them become better mathematicians. They will work on vocabulary and how various operations in math relate to real life. Knowing multiplication facts is essential for the fifth grade curriculum.

- Students will investigate number and operations (multiplication, division, decimals, fractions, etc.)

- Students will begin algebraic concepts (including patterns, relationships, variables, and equations).
- Students will learn about customary and metric units of measurement.
- Students will investigate geometric concepts and formulas.
- Students will explore data and probability, including graphing and statistics.

Science:

Fifth graders will become scientific thinkers and they will ask questions that help them learn about the world using various scientific methods. Students will generate questions, conduct investigations and develop solutions to problems through reasoning and observation.

- In the area of life science, students will describe structures and functions of animal systems. They will study species adaptation and survival and classification.
- In the area of physical science, students will investigate force and motion.
- In earth science, students will study the solar system, seasons, moon phases, eclipses, tides, and constellations.

Social Studies:

The fifth grade social studies program is an integrated study of the social sciences which focuses on preparing young people to become responsible citizens. The curriculum builds four capacities in students: disciplinary knowledge, thinking skills,

commitment to core democratic values, and citizen participation.

- Students will learn American History beginning with Native Americans in the Americas up through and continuing through the year 1800.
- Students will learn about American government, citizenship, and citizen involvement.

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