

# Welcome to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Mrs. Jones' Class



Welcome back to school! I am so excited to have you in my class this year, I love teaching 4<sup>th</sup> grade! We learn so many exciting things in 4<sup>th</sup> grade: long division, fossils, Utah's history, and much more! I hope you're ready to learn and work hard, it's going to be a great year! Here are a few important things to help you have a successful school year:

### Homework

Students will receive a homework packet each Monday. Weekly homework consists of practicing multiplication facts, 3 practice worksheets, and reading. Students are expected to read 30 minutes per night, or 120 minutes per week (Monday-Thursday). Reading minutes should be recorded on their monthly reading log and signed by a parent each week. Both the reading log and homework packet are to be turned in on Friday morning. If your student doesn't turn in either of these. If your student needs help with their homework, please have them come talk to me. I would love to help them with their homework!

Additionally, I use student's homework packet to send home any weekly announcements. Make sure you check the cover page to see what is going on during the week.

### Attendance

Attendance in school is extremely important. It is essential that your student comes to school every day. Each day we learn something new, and students that are absent fall behind. It is stressful for students to try to catch up when they come back. I understand that there are circumstances when your child can't be at school, so if your student must miss school, please call and inform the school of the reason for their absence.

### Behavior

In order to create a positive learning environment for each student, students need to have good behavior. During the week I reward students who are on task and well behaved with play money, and once a month there will be a store for students to purchase different items. For students who choose to misbehave they will first be given a warning. If the misbehavior continues the student will be asked to step outside of the classroom, where we will talk about what is going on and decide on a logical consequence together. If the behavior continues, your child will stay with me after school to call home and let you know about their behavior at school, so that we can figure out a solution to help your child do their best.

## Grading

Each month I send home a progress report. On this report you will see if your child is reading below 4<sup>th</sup> grade level, on 4<sup>th</sup> grade level, or above 4<sup>th</sup> grade level. It will also report on your child's classroom behavior. Lastly, I will attach the math tests we have taken that month so you can see how your child is doing.

Additionally, during the school year you will receive a report card at the end of each trimester. 4<sup>th</sup> graders are graded on a standards based grading system. The grading system is as follows:

- 3E means your child is beyond grade level in the standard
- 3 means that your child has mastered the standard and is on grade level
- 2 means not quite at grade level for the particular standard
- 1 means student is well below grade level for the particular standard

If you need to contact me for any reason throughout the school year feel free to call or email me! I would love to talk to you about your student and their progress.

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Please read through this document with your student. If you agree with these guidelines please have you and your student sign and date below. **Cut the bottom portion of the paper and turn it in to Mrs. Jones. Keep the top part for reference.**

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_