

Welcome to 4th Grade
Mrs. Smith's Class
Disclosure Statement



“A mind that is stretched by a new experience can never go back to its old dimensions.”

---Oliver Wendell Holmes

Welcome to fourth grade! I am so excited to have your student in my class and to teach him/her this year! Fourth grade is the beginning of the upper grade experience and is rigorous. Therefore it is *so important* that students come to school with a positive attitude and plans to be successful. Attitude is everything in life and learning. My goal for your student is to learn to be a responsible learner; the best learning begins from within each individual. *So, I challenge each of you to be the best you can be!*

Homework: *“Don’t wish for someone else to do later what you can do now”*

—Wynton Marsalis

Students will receive a homework packet each Monday. Weekly homework will consist of practicing multiplication facts, and practice worksheets from our curriculum. Additionally, students are expected to read 30 minutes per night. These minutes will be recorded in a monthly reading log on the homework sheet. The reading log is part of the homework packet and is ***due on Friday***. We will have a homework club and once a month students who turn in homework every week earn a special treat! If you have questions about the homework or your student needs help, please feel free to talk to me and I will be happy to help.

Birthdays: *“Nothing exhilarates and sends the soul soaring more than having a good time-“ Sister Karol Jackowski*

Students will be honored on their birthdays. Students are welcome to bring a purchased treat for the class on that day that will be shared at 2:00 PM. Summer birthdays will be celebrated on their birthday date in May, so please plan for that ahead of time.

Attendance: *“The benefits of instruction, once lost, are difficult to regain”.*

Attendance in school is extremely important. It is important that your student come to school every day. If your student must miss school, please call and inform the school of their absence. Frequent absences or tardies of the students from the day-to-day classroom experiences disrupt the instructional and learning process. Your student will receive an absent work packet ***to be completed at home and returned to school the next day***. Any work not completed will be marked as such in the grade book and will affect their grade.

Behavior/Discipline: *“It builds character and integrity and promotes honesty and empathy for others.”—Michael Linsin*

In order to create a successful learning environment for everyone, students need to have good behavior. My goal is to assist the students in developing a positive self-image and learn how to work. Students will be held accountable for their behavior and the consequences that follow.

Our school/class rules are:

1. Follow directions the first time given.
2. Complete assigned tasks.
3. Be respectful to self, others, and the learning environment.

Students who are on task and follow the rules help the class earn treasure box for prizes every Friday. Students who choose to misbehave will first be given a warning. If the misbehavior continues the student will miss recess & the privilege of a prize from the treasure box. If the disruptive behavior continues, your child will stay with me after school to call home and let you know about what has been happening at school. If the behavior becomes chronic a conference will be held with your student, parents and when necessary the principal. Taking responsibility for the good and bad in one's life is a life skill everyone needs to learn.

Student Progress Report:

At the end of each month, a progress report will be sent home to share our successes and to let you be aware of important information about your student. Other notes may be sent home as needed. School notes can be found in the weekly Parent folder.

I have an open door classroom and you are invited to come in and visit with me and volunteer at your convenience. If you need to contact me for any reason feel free to call or email me! I would love to talk to you about your student and their progress.

Email: dehbralsmith@alpinedistrict.org Phone: (801)-610-8180 ext. 116

Please read through this document with your student and sign to indicate that you and your student agree with these guidelines. Return just this bottom portion of the paper and turn it in to Mrs. Smith.

Discloser Document Agreement



Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

_____ Yes, I will volunteer because I know parent involvement increases my student's success.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Notes to Mrs. Smith: