



Welcome to 1st Grade!

Mrs. Marks' Class

August 7, 2023

Orientation

This is my family!



Components of Our Day

- Reading binder (D.O.T.) will go home every day.
- Weekly Newsletters will be sent home on Mondays.
- A copy of the schedule will be sent home by the end of the first week of school.
- Graded papers will be sent home in a timely matter, check folders daily.

- Lunch – 11:16-11:31
- PE – 12:25-1:05
- Snack – 1:55

Grading Policy

- Students will be given letter grades in Reading, Math, and Language Arts.
- 60% major, 40% minor for Reading and Math.
- Students will be given S, N, or U in Handwriting, Science, and Social Studies.
- Students will have to pass Reading, Language Arts, and Math with a yearly average of 60% or higher to be promoted to second grade.

Arrival/Dismissal

- **Carpool drop off will be in the front of the school starting at 7:10 and ends at 7:55.**
- **Child's name needs to be visible in car window using the DPES carpool tag.**
- **If your child needs to eat breakfast, please remind them to go directly to breakfast.**

Arrival/Dismissal

Dismissal Times:

- **Car Riders- 2:50**
- **Walkers- 2:55**
- **1st Load Bus Riders- 3:05**
- **YMCA- 3:10 to DPES Gym**

****Carpool tags are passed out in the lunchroom. Additional tags are \$5.**

Money

- Please send ALL money in an envelope with your child's name, reason for money, amount, and teacher's name.
- Snack can be purchased daily, the average cost is \$1.00-\$1.50 (No carbonated beverages or candy during this time).
- Money will not be taken unless it is an envelope or Ziploc bag with the above information.
- All money must be taken up before 8:00.

Snack

- **We will have snack every afternoon. You can send a snack from home or purchase from the school.**
- **Snack can be purchased daily, the average cost is \$1.00-\$1.50 (No carbonated beverages or candy during this time).**

Communication

- The best way to contact me is through email, notes sent to school, or ParentSquare.
- Conferences will have to be scheduled.
amymarks@ymail.com (home)
amy.marks@acboe.net (school)
- You can call the school at 361-6400 and leave a message with the office staff. I will not receive it until my planning time.
- I will respond to all messages within 24 hours.

Behavior System

- **Students will start the day with their clothespins on green. They will move up or down according to behavior.**
- **Behavior will be marked daily in conduct folder.**
- **Initial if there is orange/red.**
- **Sign at the end of the week.**

Meeting & Exceeding!

- **Students will be rewarded by moving their clothespins up to blue and purple.**
- **Students who have PHENOMENAL behavior may have their pin “jump” off of the clip chart to my shirt! They will be rewarded with Treasure box, etc.**

Consequences

- **Yellow:** Verbal Warning
- **Orange:** loss of centers or reward
- **Red:** Note sent home/phone call– No Fun Friday
- If a student receives two days on “orange” during the week or receives one day on “red” they will not be allowed to play at Friday Break and will receive an office referral.

Other Information

- Yellow Transportation Tags will be attached to your child's backpack for the entire first week.
- Label all items with your child's name!
- Please notify me in writing with any changes in transportation, address, or phone number.
- Label all items, especially jackets, with your child's name.
- The transportation department's number is (334)-361-3897. They can help with 1st or 2nd load.

How can I help my child with reading?

- Read to your child daily for 10-15 minutes.
- Read with your child.
- Start with reading the Kindergarten high frequency words.
- Read the story passages in their binders.
- Don't limit reading only books, use the Internet, magazines, etc.
- Practicing their spelling words.

Questions?

- **Please fill out bus tags**
(leave on their desks or wear them Wednesday morning).
- **Leave the completed Rolodex cards.**
- **Please make sure your child knows how he/she will get home the first day.**