



**Welcome  
to  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade!**

**Mrs. COX'S CLASS  
August 7, 2025  
orientation**

**I ♥ My  
Family!**





# **Welcome Folder**

✱ **Schedule**

✱ **"B.E.E Binder"**

- **"Left" at Home & Bring "Right" Back for papers**
- **Zipper pouch for \$\$\$ envelopes**
- **Reading materials**
- **Behavior sheets**

✱ **Items will be added to the binder periodically.**

✱ **Graded papers**



# **Grades in 1<sup>st</sup> Grade**

## **Grading Scale**

**A (90-100) B (80-89) C (70-79) D (60-69) F (0-59)**

### **•ELA: Reading & Language Arts**

**-60% Major Grades**

**(Dictation, word Reading, Writing, story comprehension, oral Reading Fluency, ocr story Tests)**

**-40% Minor Grades**

**(various activities to practice tested skills in reading, spelling, and grammar)**

### **•Math**

**-60% Major Grades**

**(Test at the end of each topic)**

**-40% Minor Grades**

**(various activities to practice tested skills, timed math fact fluency)**





# **Grades in 1<sup>st</sup> Grade**

✱ **Handwriting, conduct, science, & social studies**



**-S: Satisfactory**

**-N: Needs Improvement**

**-U: Unsatisfactory**

✱ **Families will be aware of major grades via our weekly newsletter.**

**NO "POP QUIZ" TYPE GRADES!**

✱ **Retention policy states that students must pass ELA and Math with at least a 60% yearly average.**

# **parentsquare**

- Announcements**
- personal Messages**
- photos**
- class Activities**
- DPES Announcements**
- ACBOE Announcements**



# **Money**

- **please send ALL money in an envelope with your child's name, reason for money, amount, and teacher's name. The office will not take money to deliver to the classroom.**
- **Money will not be taken unless it is an envelope or ziploc bag with the above information.**
- **All money must be taken up before 8:15.**
- **DUE DATES ARE NON-NEGOTIABLE.**
- **When writing a check, it must be for the exact amount. We cannot send change home for a check written over the needed amount.**
- **Book orders are done online.**

# **Lunch & Snack**

- **All money are taken up FIRST THING in the morning. Please remind your students when they have money.**
- **checks written for lunch are written to DPES.**
- **snacks can be purchased with cash only-exact change, a day at a time.**

**\*\*\*snack shack opens August 11<sup>th</sup>\*\*\***



# **Lunch & Snack**

- **Lunch Money (Basic breakfast and lunch will be free for all students), snack money, and miscellaneous money (field trips, etc.) go to different places. For example, I do not have cash to break a \$20 and send to different places. Sorry!**
- **You may have to wait for change to be returned the next day. I do not have change in my room. 😊**

# **Arrival/Dismissal**

- **TRANSPORTATION TAGS!!!  
please!**
- **walking students in the first day**
  - **8:15-8:30**
  - **Enter via the front doors of the yellow hall**
- **please do not leave before you see the person supervising drop-off.**



# **Arrival/Dismissal**

- **walkers dismiss from the front Yellow Hall doors. please meet your walker at the designated spot.**
- **Transportation changes must be made in writing. I will send them to the office.**
- **No "check-outs" after 2:30.**

# **Bits & pieces**

- **MEDICINE:** parent must fill out a form and return it with any medicine taken during the school day to the nurse. Students may not deliver the medicine. cough drops are alright, just let me know and don't share!
- **BIRTHDAYS:** single serve goodies  
\*\*\*No peanuts!\*\*\*
- **FIELD TRIPS:** NO siblings or refunds. ☹️



# **communication**

- **The best way to contact me is through email OR parentsquare.**
- **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.**
- **Weekly newsletters & graded papers will be sent home on Mondays or Tuesdays.**
- **~~www.paypams.com~~ We will use a different program this year.**

# **communication**

## **(cont.)**

- **My school email address is melissa.cox@acboe.net**
- **The school website is [www.danielpratt elementary.com](http://www.danielpratt elementary.com)**
- **Daniel Pratt Elementary School Facebook page and Instagram account**



# **BEFORE YOU GO!**

- ✱ **place any completed paperwork in the big red basket.**
- ✱ **complete Transportation Tag and place in the small red basket.**
- ✱ **please be sure that your student's supplies are labeled with their name.**