

5th Grade

Teacher Teams

Mrs. Bright and

Mrs. Hernandez

Mrs. Larkın and Ms. Swindle

Rotation

Students will receive instruction and grades from the fifth grade teachers in the following areas:

Mrs. Bright/ Mrs. Larkin - Math and Science

Mrs. Hernandez/ Ms. Swindle- English Language Arts (ELA)

Homeroom Teachers- Social Studies

Please be sure you have joined BOTH teacher's designated Remind group so you can contact each teacher about their individual subject area as needed.

CONTACTING 5TH GRADE TEACHERS

- Best choice: use the Remind text service that you enrolled in at the start of the school year.
- Email directly:

<u>llarkin@mcpss.com</u> <u>sdhernandez@mcpss.com</u>

lbright@mcpss.com lswindle@mcpss.com

- · Send a written note with child
- Phone: 251-221-1139 (if you choose to call, please be mindful that a response will not be immediate as teachers cannot return your calls during instructional time)
- Use REMIND text service to send a message.



Remind

Remind is a text messaging/email system that enables teachers to send quick reminders directly to parents' cellular phones.

If you have not already done so, please take a moment to sign up using the directions provided by your child's teacher.

Conferences

We want to work with you to ensure a successful year for all students. Please adhere to the following guidelines in respect for everyone involved.

- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher prior to speaking to another teacher at CTS or administrative staff. We are glad to work with you to provide clarification and/or eliminate misconceptions.
- Teachers will send out a link to sign up for beginning of the year conferences.

- Planning periods:
 - -1:30 2:00 Larkin/Swindle
 - -2:00 2:30 Bright/Hernandez
- Additional conference times may be scheduled upon written request to your child's teacher
- Please avoid these types of conferences:

Pop-ins (unscheduled) before, during, or afterschool,

Carpool / Hallway/ Parking lot, School-events (Open house, Field trips, etc.),

Grocery store / Restaurant/ Ballgame

- Please refer to your student's Schoology account to have a clear understanding of your student's grades. The weekly parent report sent to you by Schoology provides only an overview.
- Paper-pencil or online tests may be viewed by appointment only.
- Formal progress reports are distributed at mid-quarter.

It is our hope that all 5th grade students choose to follow school and classroom guidelines for a safe & productive school year. Should a student have difficulty maintaining proper conduct, it will be reflected in their conduct grade.



Conduct

- 10 points possible per week
- Students must maintain quarterly conduct average of 80% (S) or better to participate in scheduled field trips or school events
- Methods used to manage unacceptable student conduct:

Privilege revocation
Buddy system intervention
Home reports
Detention
Office referrals
Suspension

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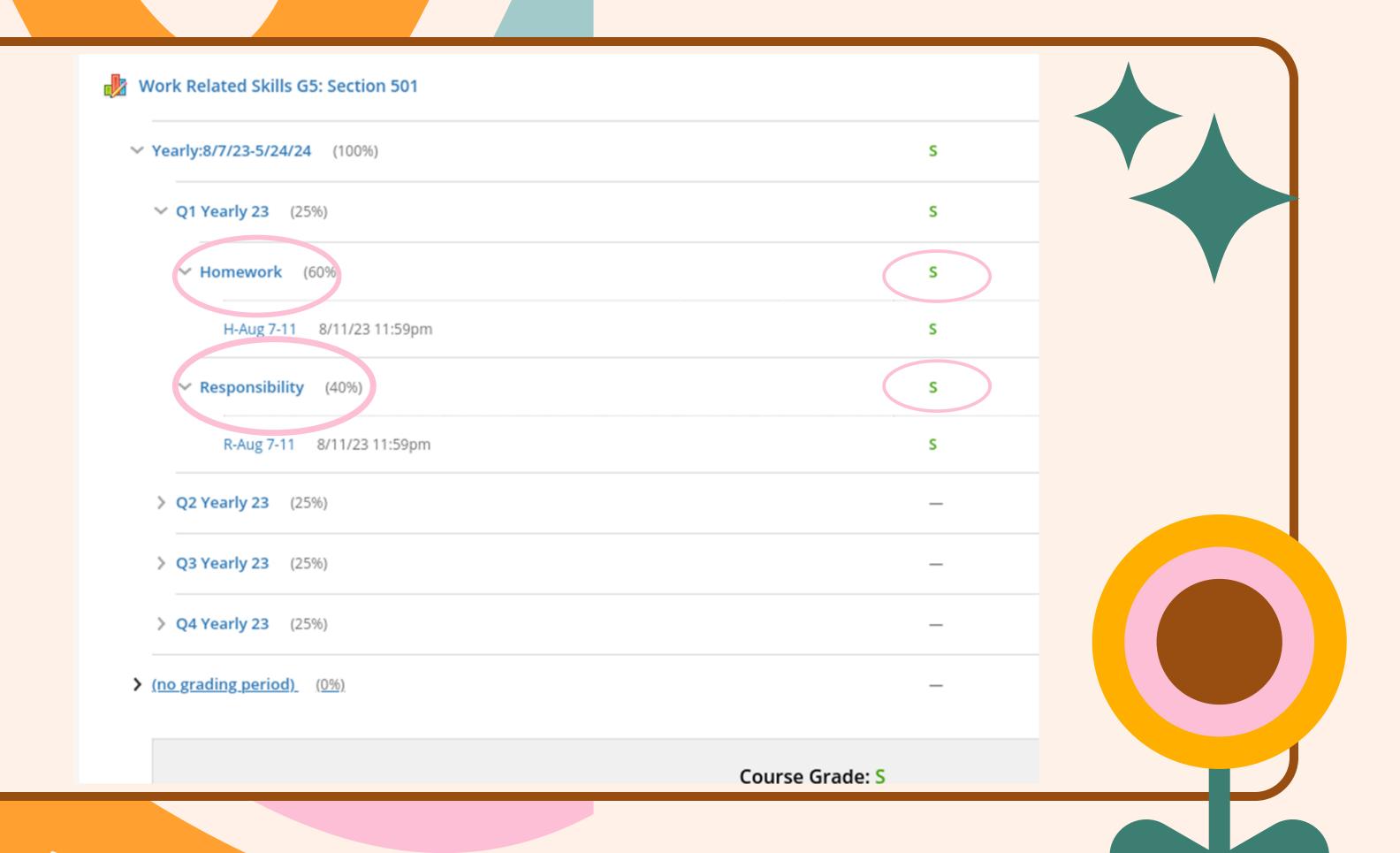
5 points for responsibility [40%] (Minor)

5 points for homework [60%] (Major)

Work Related Skills

Students must maintain quarterly average of 80% (S) or better in <u>both</u> responsibility and homework to be eligible for Honor Roll

Students will receive detention at the third missed homework assignment of the week.



NATIONAL ELEMENTARY HONORS SOCIETY (NEHS)

- The criteria for the N.E.H.S. are as follows:
- · Enrolled at Council for one complete semester
- Cumulative grade point average 3.5 or higher (current school year)
- Maintain a 3.5 in conduct
- Have met all C.A.R.P. goals (quarters 1-2)
- Once inducted into the N.E.H.S., students must maintain their status in order to stay a member in good standing and perticipate in NEHS activities

RETESTING POLICY

- Students will be permitted to retest once per quarter in each subject on the first major grade in which a score below 60% is earned.
- · Retests will not be given in the following scenarios:
 - Tests that require only effort, not ability (vocabulary tests, states & capitals test, etc.)
 - Tests in which the student chose to not complete the required class- or homework to prepare for the test

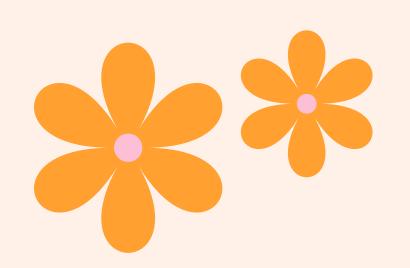


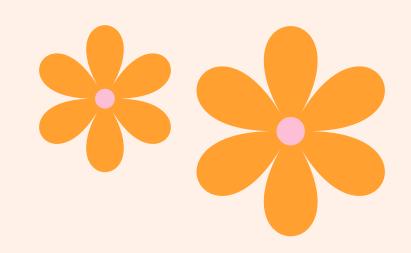
- · Homework, tentative test dates, and reminders are copied from the board each day before dismissal from each class
- Project and test dates are highlighted when they are entered into the planner
- When a student receives a point for an incomplete assignment the teacher will circle and initial the missing assignment in the planner.
- PLEASE keep in mind- just because your student does not go to detention does NOT mean that their homework average meets honor roll guidelines.

Planners

HOMEWORK

- · Students will receive a homework point if...
 - Assignment is not done at all
 - Assignment is incomplete (partially done)
 - Student writes random answers
 - Student fails to fulfill online homework requirements (there is a plan in place if you have a problem accessing technology from home)
- Sending a note will not remove points except in the case of a teacher approved emergency. Three homework points during a single week will result in an assigned detention.





Detention

KEEP IN MIND

•Detention will be served the following Monday from 3:15-4:15.

In detention, students will be given skills review to work on. It is not a time to make up missed work or complete homework.

·If your student has detention, a slip will go home on friday.

•Students may be picked up in front of the office at 4:15.

40 BOOK CHALLENGE

• Students are challenged to read 40 books during their fifth-grade school year.

The Challenge...

- is meant to encourage students & engage them with reading.
- is meant to expand students' reading lives, not limit/define it.
- is personal for each student, not a contest or competition between students or classes.
- runs hand-in-hand with student reading success.

Any on-level book read during this school year may be used for the challenge.

PROJECTS

- Students complete many cross-curricular projects throughout the year.
- All projects are given with ample time for completion (at least 2 weeks).
- If you have any need for clarification, notify your child's teacher the day the assignment is given, please do not wait.
- Copies of project instructions will be available in Schoology and on the parent Padlet.
 - Questions/concerns/requests will not be addressed the night before a project is due. Late projects lose 10 points daily!

TECHNOLOGY

Council is a 1:1 school.

Important Guidelines Include:

- The student should only use their device to access relevant content at appropriate times as instructed by their teacher.
- The student takes full responsibility for his/her device. Students should not share their personal devices.
- Devices shall be charged prior to bringing it to school and shall be capable of running off its own battery while at school.
- Students should bring laptops and chargers daily to school. A responsibility point will be issued of a student does not bring their fully charged device to school.

Jumper or skirt for 5th grade girls

Girls' hair accessories and earrings should be school colors or neutral.

Girls may wear wristwatches and stud earrings; no other jewelry.

NO makeup. This includes lip gloss. Only chapstick is allowed!

Boys may only wear watches — no other jewelry.

NO Smart watches

Nail polish may only be clear polish applied to the natural nail.

Purses are kept in cubbies unless we are leaving the classroom for the restroom.

Red sweater is the only outerwear allowed in the classroom except for sweatshirts (Friday's only).

PE uniforms must be Council's guidelines.

Students will be given a warning at first infraction with notification given to parents. On the second infraction students will be given a Uniform Dress Code and Appearance Violation.

BIRTHDAYS

We are happy to acknowledge your child's birthday!

- To minimize disruptions to our instructional day, we kindly ask that any snacks be individual.
- · Snack will need to be sent in the morning, with your child.
- We will distribute them at a time that least impacts instruction.

SCIENCE LAB/ SCIENCE FAIR

- Students will receive grades from their lab work
- Most Science Project paperwork will be due before students leave for the holiday in December and will count for a minor grade for 2nd quarter. Final project boards will be due in January and will count as a major grade in 3rd quarter.
- Due dates for project paperwork will be listed in Schoology and on the parent padlet.
- Look for important project information to come home via Ms.
 Asberry.



- Exhibition is a culminating student—led project that requires the student to demonstrate and engage with the five essential elements of the PYP program.
- We have already begun frontloading Exhibition for this year.

Exhibition

Sharing the Planet

An inquiry into rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and with other living things.

- United Nations
 Sustainable
 Development Goals
 Global
 Environmental
 Issues
- We will have an informational parent meeting later in the school year.



Sth Grade Celebration Day

WHEN: last week of the school year

COST: \$55 per student

Games & Activities!

5th Grade T-Shirt!

Food!

WHEN:

Last week of the school year

Honors Day

Please be aware that in order to allow teachers enough time to tabulate and order awards for Honors Day, we will take into consideration the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Quarter report cards and the Mid-Quarter report from 4th quarter.

Please refer to the PowerPoint in the 5th Grade informational Padlet for attire guidelines.

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