

Welcome to 5th Grade

Policies and Procedures 2021-2022



Communication Folders: Each student has been provided with an orange communication folder and a planner. Folders will be used to transport homework, completed/corrected work, and important information between home and school. We will fill out the planner together in class. This helps the students stay organized and keeps parents aware of homework and activities. It is important to have the folder and planner at school each day.

Proficiency Based Learning: Student grades are intended to reflect academic proficiency. They indicate what a student knows and is able to do at that point in time. Proficiency scores may change as the student makes progress toward mastery.

Proficiency grading guidelines:

- Students are given multiple opportunities to provide evidence of mastery for each concept.
- Teachers will use a multitude of evidence to determine a student's level of proficiency: assignments, observations, portfolios, assessments, products, discussions, projects, performance tasks, etc.
- Homework is meaningful, independent practice used to guide students toward mastery and will not directly affect students' grades.

Check Student Progress:

Access the Granite Gradebook through the Parent Portal at <http://www.graniteschools.org>.

Email Addresses: We will send out emails with information and reminders. **Please send an email to the homeroom teacher** in the next few days so we may easily create a parent contact list.

Chromebooks: Each student has a Google account that will be used to complete assignments. We will use Chromebooks in the classroom. School Google accounts can be accessed at home by signing in with their granitesd.org email account. Students have a password card kept in their orange folder.

Water and snacks:

Students need to bring **a filled water bottle (with a sports top) daily**. Drinking fountains will not be accessible, but students will have access to fill their water bottle at the sink inside the classroom if needed.

We allow students to bring a snack to eat in the morning to help them make it until lunch. Students may bring a small, **healthy** snack to eat each day. This needs to be something that can be eaten with minimum disruption and mess. Suggested snacks include pretzels, carrot or celery sticks, crackers, apple slices, **pre-peeled** orange segments, etc. This should not develop into a full-course meal, just a little

something to keep their brains working until lunch. No ramen noodles, chips, sweets, or cookies.

Absent Policy: If students are absent, they can find the assignments they missed by accessing Google Classroom and talking with each of their teachers.

Students will have four 5th grade teachers. Mrs. Mitchell will teach math, Mrs. Jolley will teach science, Miss Jones will teach writing/social studies, and Ms. Bugden will teach reading/ELA. If you have a question or concern about an assignment, please contact the applicable teacher. Each teacher will have their own Google Classroom and website.

We look forward to a great year with these wonderful kids. Please let us know if you have any questions. An easy way to contact us is by e-mail. The students will also have our contact information on their orange communication folder.

Thank you,	
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