



Welcome to the 5th grade! In preparation for next year, please start school in August with the following supplies:

- several black or blue ERASABLE pens (used for all class work except math; white out is NOT allowed in 5th grade); other fun pen colors can be used for note taking
- #2 pencils and individual erasers - ALL math is done in pencil (you may want to pick up a school year's supply during summer sales)
- 6 - 8 red pens for correcting work (these do not need to be erasable)
- student size scissors (blades 3"- 4" long)
- 3 - 4 glue sticks
- calculator - this is an absolute necessity!
- 2 - one gallon size resealable plastic bags
- 3-ring binder with 7 dividers AND 7 pocket folders (one for each subject)
- one packet of highlighters (all one color or multiple colors - you choose!)
- 2 - 3 black Sharpie pens (fine point and extra fine point)
- crayons (24 pack or smaller)
- colored pencils (12 pack)
- markers are OPTIONAL
- plastic container with 3 snap trays that closes securely for supplies, such as ones used for scrapbooking (check Jo-Ann's, Michael's, Amazon); must fit on top of desk (no tackle boxes) *See image on next page*
- several packs of WIDE RULED notebook paper (budget at least 2 per trimester)
Look for summer sales! Please remember it is the student's responsibility to always have paper on hand to avoid asking a neighbor
- graph paper for those who wish to use it for math (optional)
- two packs of 3" x 5" index cards (lined on one side and blank on the other)
- one protractor & one standard 12" wooden or hard plastic ruler (no bendable rulers)
- two single subject wide-ruled spiral notebooks and one composition book
- 4 large/jumbo book covers (books MUST be covered all year)
- two containers of Clorox, Lysol or other anti-bacterial wipes for disinfecting surfaces (no baby wipes, please) and one box of tissue for the classroom

PLEASE HELP YOUR CHILD SET UP & ORGANIZE HIS/HER BINDER BEFORE THE START OF SCHOOL.

Please keep a supply of notebook paper, pencils, and pens on hand at home to see you through the year. It is very important that each student come to school every day prepared and equipped with what he/she needs. Remember, ALL books need to be covered at ALL times.

Homework is assigned every day except Friday. However, there may be times when a project is due or a test is being given early in the week, resulting in work or studying needing to be done over the weekend. All homework is due the next day UNLESS there is an excused absence. For each day of an excused absence, students have one day to bring in make-up homework. Try and get homework sent home with a sibling or classmate, check online for assignments, or e-mail us to avoid falling behind. Late homework (not due to illness) will be accepted, but full points will not be given. If homework is lost but found weeks or months later, it cannot be accepted. **It is the student's responsibility to complete AND turn in all make-up work without being reminded.**

School rules can be found in the handbook online, and we ask that students and parents review these together. Classroom rules include, but are not limited to: listening & following all directions the first time given, raising your hand and waiting to be called upon to speak, keeping hands, feet, and objects to yourself at all times, and most importantly, acting respectfully and kindly towards others.

Make sure you read A LOT over the summer, as this will strengthen your comprehension and increase your vocabulary. MEMORIZE your addition and subtraction facts through 20, as well as your multiplication and division facts at least through 12 - you need to know all of them to the level of an automatic response. Practice your cursive writing over the vacation. Have a wonderful and restful summer, and come back in August energized!

Plastic Container:



SUGGESTED SUMMER WORKBOOKS FOR INCOMING 5TH GRADERS

Summer Bridge Activities Workbook – 4th to 5th Grade

(Carson-Dellosa Publishing) \$9.99 for print version, \$12.99 for e-book

This is a series for the elementary grade levels and each workbook contains a variety of exercises on each page. Product ID 704700

This publisher offers MANY resources for math and language arts. To visit their website, go to www.carsondellosa.com. The above item can be found on their website, along with many, many other great choices. They have developed a lot of great supplemental materials that are aligned to the Common Core State Standards. They offer print versions as well as e-book versions.

I highly recommend including your child in the workbook selection process, depending on his/her interest and/or need.

Some workbooks can also be found at Barnes & Noble / Bookstar, at educational supplies stores such as Lakeshore Learning, as well as on Amazon.

Finally, read a LOT over the summer! Choose books that are of interest to you, as well as at the appropriate reading level. The public library is a great resource!