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WELCOME TO 4th GRADE

PARENT ORIENTATION 2022-2023

OUR SCHOOL

Principal: Stephanie Kabriel

4th Grade Teachers:

Hannah Clinebell & Melody Varnado

School Mascot: Stallion

School Phone Number:

785-717-4670

Address:

429 W. Ash

Junction City, KS 66441



**4th GRADE
AT SHERIDAN**

ATTENDANCE

Absences & Tardies

- Please notify the office and classroom teacher if your child will be absent or tardy.
- Students arriving past 8:00 must enter in through the office to receive a tardy slip.

Arrival & Dismissal

- Students attend from 8:00–3:15.
- Supervision begins at 7:40 each morning.
- Students arrive and are dismissed through the doors in the side parking lot.
- Please notify the office and the classroom teacher if the pickup person has changed.

P.E. Info!

- ✓ Wear tennis shoes daily
- ✓ Grades 2-5 bring water bottle

How to reach

Mr. Jones, Teacher

chasejones@usd475.org

(785) 717-4624



Music Class Info!

- ✓ Wear comfortable shoes because we move a lot.
- ✓ Watch for notes about music programs and special events!

How to reach

Mrs. Brown, Teacher

desireebrown@usd475.org

(785) 717-4894



GYM:TIME

PARENT INVOLVEMENT & COMMUNICATION

Parent Involvement

- Volunteers
 - PTO
- Birthdays are celebrated at 2:50 PM
 - Appreciated but not expected

Communication

- Folders
 - Please check and empty each evening
- Lunch Menu
- Backpacks
- Class Dojo



TIME TO EAT

Breakfast:

- Breakfast is served from 7:40–8:00am.
- Cost is \$1.90 and is served with milk and juice.

Lunch:

- Lunch is from 12:00–12:20.
- Cost is \$2.75 with milk (additional milk is \$.50)
- Pay on Skyward or to Mrs. Bogen in the office.

Snack:

- Please provide a healthy snack for your child to enjoy during the day. A snack will not be provided for them.
- Send them with an empty water bottle each day.

DISCIPLINE

- **High Expectations:**
 - Academically and Behaviorally
- **Five Rules**
 - Follow directions quickly
 - Raise your hand for permission to speak
 - Raise your hand for permission to leave your seat
 - Make smart choices
 - Keep everybody happy

If a student has difficulty following one of the five rules the student will receive a warning. If the behavior is not corrected, the student will be placed on ICE (intra-classroom experience). They will spend 10-15 minutes in timeout reflecting on their behavior. If a student endangers others or disrupts the learning of others, he/she will be removed from the classroom to write a behavior plan with the Student Support Monitor, Mrs. Lane. In either case, a note will be sent home explaining the behavior and steps taken to correct the behavior.

LANGUAGE ARTS

- **Curriculum:** McGraw Hill's Wonders
- 6 instructional units that integrate science, social studies, reading, social emotional learning, spelling, and writing.
- **Program Focus:** Developing reading comprehension and fluency within multiple genres.
- **Goal:** To have students reading grade level text by the end of the year.
- **Students will work on developing:**
 - Reading comprehension
 - Vocabulary (homophones, homographs, suffixes, prefixes, Greek roots, similes, metaphors, idioms)
 - Phonics
 - Fluency
 - Research & inquiry
 - Grammar

LANGUAGE ARTS: WRITING

- **Beginning of the Year**
 - Students are writing a 5-7 sentence paragraph.
- **Middle of the Year**
 - Students are writing stories with no less than 10 sentences..
- **End of the Year**
 - Students are writing stories, using many paragraphs.
- **Types of Writing:**
 - Narrative
 - Informational
 - Opinion

SCIENCE AND STEM

- **Curriculum:** FOSS
 - A hands-on interactive program for teaching inquiry-based science lessons.
- **Three Units of Study**
 - Environments
 - Energy
 - Soil, rocks and landforms
- **Based on the Next Generation Science Standards**
- **STEM**
 - ✓ **Science**—Engaging students in lessons, activities, and experiments in a variety of science concepts.
 - ✓ **Technology**—Providing student opportunities to learn, explore, and problem-solve via technology.
 - ✓ **Engineering**—Engaging students in problem solving activities that incorporate planning, design, and building.
 - ✓ **Math**—Integrating math into a variety of cross-curricular activities and subjects.

MATH

- Curriculum: iReady
- Components
 - Fluency and Skills Practice
 - Concept Development
 - Practice Book
 - Lesson Quizzes
 - Homework
- Students will work on:
 - Place value
 - Rounding
 - Addition/subtraction
 - Unit conversions & problem solving with metric measurement
 - Multidigit multiplication and division
 - Fraction equivalence, ordering, and operations
 - Decimal fractions
 - Angles and plane figures
 - Exploring measurement with multiplication

GRADING

- Students receive a progress report on week 5 of each quarter and a report card at the completion of the quarter.
- Fall and Spring Parent Teacher Conferences
- We use standards referenced grading. You will see scores of 1-4 and no percentages or letter grades. Below you will see the grading scale and what each means.

	Label	Description
4	Surpasses Standard	Consistently demonstrates an advanced level of understanding, going beyond the expectations of the standard
3	Meets Standard	Consistently demonstrates required knowledge and understanding of the standard
2	Approaches Standard	Inconsistently demonstrates an understanding of the standard
1	Below Standard	No understanding of the standard is demonstrated

- Please understand that it is perfectly acceptable for students to have 1's and 2's at this point in the year, as 3's are based on what they should know by the end of the year.

EXPECTATIONS

○ Student

- We expect our students to:
 - Come to school on time.
 - Come to school with all materials.
 - Do homework.

○ Homework

- Students are expected to read no less than 20 minutes each evening.
- Math homework will be assigned if/when needed.

HEALTH INFORMATION



SCHOOL NURSE

Name: Callie Jones

Email: calliejones@usd475.org



HEALTH and EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Health Information

- Students must be fever-free, diarrhea-free, and vomit-free for 72 hours without medication before sending them back to school.

Emergency Information

- If any contact information changes, let your teacher and the office know. If an emergency arises such as delayed start or school closing, it is imperative that we can contact you.
- USD 475 offers a free alert system called USD 475 alerts. You can easily enroll in this free service by going to www.usd475.org.

QUESTIONS

General Sheridan Information



Mrs. Adams
shaundaadams@usd475.org

Health Information Questions



Mrs. Jones
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4th Grade Questions



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Mrs. Varnado
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