

**Welcome**



Dear Families,

Welcome to first grade! We are excited for this year of distance learning. We will be learning so much and having fun doing so. We can’t wait for all of the successes that will come this year with your child. We are excited to have this opportunity to continue to grow professionally and look forward to working with you and your child.

Here is some important information for you:

**Parent Communication:**

Communication is so important to us and it is essential for a successful year. Please feel free to contact us Monday – Friday from 9:00am – 3:00pm through Seesaw or our e-mail address with your questions, comments and/or concerns.

It is also, really important for you to be checking your Seesaw account regularly for important messages from us and/or the school.

**Virtual School hours:**

Virtual School is every day between 9:05am-3:05pm.

Please make sure that your child is ready to learn promptly at 9:05. Your child will be required to log into their chrome books by 9:05am each day ready to learn.

Since we are presenting new learning in these lesson, your child is required to be near their computer during school hours.

Absences:

Attendance is extremely important and will be taken daily in the morning.

If your child needs to remove themselves from our learning at any time during the day, they will be marked tardy. If your child is going to be absent from school, due to illness, appointments, or family obligations, please make sure to call the office at

(209) 933-7175.

**Zoom Sessions:**

Once we begin our zoom lessons, your child will be notified of specific login times each day. If your child does not join their zoom session, they will be marked absent or tardy. During these zoom sessions, your child will be receiving new learning, so it is critical that they attend daily.

Zoom sessions will be consistent throughout each week. We will zoom for the following subjects:

* Phonics
* Writing
* ELD (English Language Development)
* ELA/Reading
* Math

I-Ready Reading and Math Diagnostic:

Your child will be responsible for taking a reading and math diagnostic. The purpose of the reading and math diagnostic is to determine your child’s current academic skill in each subject. It is very important that **your child** complete these assessments on their own with **NO help**.

Your child may be asked to type in their response as well as scroll down or drag their answer. If they are having trouble with this, you may show them how to do it, but please be mindful that it has to be their work. Because we will be monitoring your child’s progress, if they are struggling on a particular lesson, we will be adjusting their path along the way.

Student Logins:

Your child will be receiving their personal login code through Seesaw. It is very important for you to accept our Seesaw invite. If for some reason, your child has lost their login account, please let us know ASAP and we will resend it.

**Lunch Time:**

During our 2 hour lunch pick-up time your child is being asked to complete 20 minutes of PE each day. Some activities that your child may participate in are:

* Go-Noodle
* Cosmic Kids Yoga
* Jumping rope
* Riding a bike, scooter, or skateboard
* Walking or running
* Hopscotch
* Swimming
* Using playground equipment at the park
* any activity that gets them up and moving

Here is to a successful school year.

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