



Dear Parents and Guardians of the future 4th graders!!!

Welcome to FOURTH GRADE!! It's so wonderful to be able to see all your scholars **IN PERSON!!!** I know there are a lot of new procedures for everyone to learn. I am sure that if we all work together we will be able to have a seamless transition from the SDP's hybrid model, to fully **in person learning**.

This year your scholars will be switching classes for literacy, math, science and social studies.

- For ELA your scholar will be in room 114 with Ms. Tate
- For MATH your scholar will be in room 113 with Mrs. Balzano
- For SCIENCE AND SOCIAL STUDIES your scholar will be in room 110 with Ms. McGarry

In order for your children to be successful in fourth grade, we are counting on your help and support throughout the school year. This will come in the form of assisting with homework, signing all papers, regularly checking **Class Dojo (please sign up for ALL CLASSES so all teachers will be able to stay in contact with you)** signing up for **Google Classroom** notifications, and making sure your child is in school, on time, and of course in uniform each and every day.

If for some reason your child is absent, **a written note must be brought back the day your child returns to school in order for the absences to be excused, a text message or Dojo message will not be accepted. After 8 written notes, only a DOCTOR'S note will be accepted.** We have several amazing incentives going on this year so you will want to make sure that your children are here and on time. In addition, children should be picked up in the schoolyard at our line by **3:09** each afternoon (we will be exiting out of the **west** doors). Below are some friendly reminders to get you and your child ready to learn...

1. First day of school is **MONDAY AUGUST 31ST**.
2. Breakfast is from 8:15-8:25 sharp.
3. School begins at 8:45 and students will be considered late **any time** after that. More information about the change in school time will be forthcoming. Please check the website over the summer break: <https://www.philasd.org/resources-for-families/> or <https://kelly.philasd.org/>
4. Lunch is 11:24-12:14
5. Homework **will be given out nightly** in all subjects. Please review and sign all homework.
6. Reminder: children who are not in sneakers **will not** participate in gym. Exercise is imperative at their age for proper brain development.

Please see the reverse side of this letter for the supply list. Stay updated and informed at philasd.org We look forward to having an exciting, and academically amazing school year. Our number one priority will always be educating your scholar in a safe, welcoming environment. Your support throughout the school year is paramount. Let's work together to make this year as successful as possible, together we can achieve greatness with you on our team!!

Sincerely,

Your very proud and excited teachers,

Ms. McGarry(Rm 110: Science & Social Studies) Krmcgarry@philasd.org

Mrs. Balzano(Rm 113: Math) abalzano@gmail.com

Ms. Tate (Rm 114: Literacy) ktate@philasd.org

4th Grade Supply List

Please be sure to have the following supplies as soon as possible so we can have our year leap onto a smooth start. **ALL STUDENTS SHOULD COME TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY WITH A CHARGED LAPTOP AND WORKING HEADPHONES.**

FOR ROOM ALL HOMEROOMS (These supplies will stay in their assigned homeroom)

- A clean mask daily and an extra in case the 1st one gets dirty
- 1 Backpack: No wheels please due to lack of space
- 1 **large** bottle of hand sanitizer (will stay in homeroom)
- 2 boxes of tissues (will stay in homeroom)
- 1 large container of Lysol wipes
- 1 ream of copy paper

FOR ALL MATH STUDENTS:

- 1 composition books/ notebooks
- 2 sturdy plastic two pocket folders
- 1 box of gallon bags and 1 box of quart baggies

FOR ALL LITERACY STUDENTS:

- Highlighters
- 3 composition notebooks
- Independent Reading Book
- 2 sturdy 2 pocket folders

FOR ALL SCIENCE AND SOCIAL STUDIES STUDENTS

- 2 sturdy 2 inch binders with at least two reams of lined paper (will need more mid year if you want to send in all 4)
- 2 two pocket folders
- Colored pencils and markers (medium size tip for writing labels on diagrams)
- Just keep in mind: experiments over the course of the year will require recycled items from your house (cereal boxes, clean empty plastic soda bottles, caps to the soda bottles, straws and so on)



STUDENTS WILL KEEP THEIR PENCIL CASE IN THEIR BOOKBAG AND THE BELOW SUPPLIES SHOULD BE INSIDE (Students will rotate rooms with their bookbags).

- 3 large (or 6 small) glue sticks
- 24 #2 pencils: **(Ticonderonda pencils are best)**
- 1 pencil case
- 1 large pink eraser
- 1-2 packs of post it notes
- 1 box of 24 **Crayola** crayons
- 1 pack of dry erase markers **and** a dry eraser (or clean sock)



****You are the best supply we could ask for!!! Be sure to fill out the child abuse and criminal history check so that you will be able to join us on our trips. Slips are available in room 111.**

Thank you!!!!!!