

Fourth Grade Disclosure

Welcome! We are excited about a new school year! Fourth grade is full of exciting things. We will be working with fractions, decimals, graphs, and learning about minerals, weather, and Utah! Below is information on policies and curriculum.

ABSENCES

School attendance is very important. Students miss a lot of learning when they are absent. Please make every effort to have your child attend every day. If your child is absent, it is up to the student to make up work missed. Please inform teachers of any planned absences.

HOMEWORK

This year homework will be reading 20 minutes 5 times a week or 100 minutes per week. We encourage a wide variety of genre. Each term there will be a specific genre book report that students will present to the class. Instructions for each book report will be distributed at the beginning of each term. There will also be various reports that student will be aware of throughout the year. One in particular is the a county report. Instructions are handed out before spring break.

Individual teachers will give specifics concerning their classes.

MISSING ASSIGNMENTS

Students are responsible for making sure assignments are turned in on time. If students have missing assignments, they will need to use time before or after school, recess, lunch, or activity time to complete missing work. Students with missing assignments may not be eligible for class activities.

CLASS RULES

Please refer to the Tolman Folder that your child will bring home the first week of school. The 44 Tolman Tiger Essential Principles will be our behavior plan.

Classroom activities and celebrations will be earned by positive behaviors. There are numerous ways students will be rewarded for good behavior.

Students will be given up to 3 reminders to follow directions. If they continue to ignore directions they will be asked to write their name in a notebook as a reminder to follow the rules. After the initial written name students are allowed two more checks in the book following their name. At this point the student will be required to have silent lunch in a classroom with one of the upper grade teachers. All students start with a clean slate every day.

Safe School violations or repeated behavior problems may result in Friday time-out school. Time-out school occurs after school and is issued in increments of 30 minutes. During this time the student will visit designated classrooms to complete their time out.

BIRTHDAYS

On each child's birthday, the class will sing "Happy Birthday." Students may bring a treat for the class (wrapped, store-bought treats that won't spoil), a book to share, or nothing at all.

Please see instructions for this section on back.

READING CHALLENGE

Each month students that read 20 minutes 5 times a week will receive recognition and a small prize to celebrate their achievement. A good source of books can be found on the Battle of the Books list. I'm happy to provide other suggestions.

Parents can take an active role in the challenge by regularly talking to their student:

- Ask what they are reading,
- Read together and talk about the story.
- Parents signature will be required to account for time spent reading.

Students are to read books on or above their reading level. If your student does not know their reading level, have them ask their teacher.

MONTHLY POEMS

Students will be required to memorize an assigned poem each month. This will be memorized at home and due the last Friday of each month. Students will pass this off to the teacher. All poems for the year will be posted on my website.

SCIENCE/SOCIAL STUDIES

We will be switching classes for science and social studies.

SUPPLIES

Any of these items would be helpful for our class this year:

- Thin, black, Expo markers
- Tissues
- Clorox Wipes
- Glue Sticks
- Pencils (preferably Ticonderoga)
- White, lined paper
- Books off the Battle of the Books list

Please sign below and detach. Keep the upper portion for reference. Give the signed slip to your teacher.

I have read and understand the Disclosure for the Fourth Grade at Tolman Elementary.

STUDENT NAME

DATE

PARENT NAME

DATE