

## Welcome to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Virtually!

Dear Parents,

Greetings and welcome to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade! My name is Mrs. Boyd and I will be your child's 5<sup>th</sup> grade virtual teacher during the 2020/2021 school year. I am so elated to get to know and experience new things with your student this year. This is my 8<sup>th</sup> year teaching with RCSS and my 16<sup>th</sup> year in education. I am married and have four beautiful daughters. I am a Goshen community teacher who lives right here in the Goshen school zone. My children have always and currently attend Goshen Elementary. I am deeply passionate about and invested in the education of the students here at GES. I am expecting an outstanding year with the students this year. I am anxious to get to know your child and help to develop, strengthen, and challenge their abilities. Our classroom theme this year is Zebra **S.T.R.I.P.E.S. (Students Taking Responsibility In Pursuing Educational Success)**

Your child has a very special opportunity this year to do great things in 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. As your child's teacher, I will keep you informed of special activities, themes, projects, and other information throughout the school year. I will plan activities that meet the GA State Requirements and differentiate learning opportunities to meet the needs of all students. I will be fair (this does NOT always mean equal) in all aspects of our day. I will notify you if there are situations that require your attention and I will communicate with you about our class events and learning objectives. Finally, I will gladly discuss with you any concerns you may be having about your child's educational progress in my class.

As partners in your child's education, we will make great strides if you discuss your child's school day as you review the Canvas Platform on a regular basis. Look over your child's work so that you can identify strengths and weaknesses. Assist with review activities nightly. Communicate with me anything that you think will help your child succeed during this school year. Please be sure to read ALL notes from Mrs. Boyd daily. Finally, use the time you have at home to teach your child how enjoyable reading can be. Read to them, with them, and allow them to read to you. Together we can make this an exciting, fun, and successful year for your child!

Again, I must thank you for choosing GES as the best place to educate your student this year. Even though things are extremely different than we have ever experienced, we can do this together. I am grateful that you will allow me to be an effective part your family. Thank you so much for entrusting me with your most prized possession, your child. I am very optimistic about what we will accomplish together this year. Just remember that we can do anything, virtually.

Looking forward to a wonderful year,

Mrs. L. Boyd