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Elementary

## News from Mrs. Courtright's Classroom

### School Supplies

Students will need the items listed below for class. Please make sure that students also have paper, pencils, and crayons available at home for their homework.

- Durable headset *or* earbuds with case
- One 2-inch ringed binder
- Wide-ruled notebook paper (put one full pack in the binder and keep extra at home)
- Pencils (#2 only, no mechanical pencils)
- Crayons (24 count) *or* colored pencils
- Pencil pouch—no boxes please!
- One pair of scissors
- Two spiral notebooks (wide-ruled)

### Reading Log and Homework

Beginning Monday August 9, students have a reading log assignment for homework each night. Students may read a book of their own choosing. It is okay for students to read the same book more than once. This is good fluency practice that will make them better readers. Students check out books from the classroom that they are allowed to take home to read. Soon, they will be able to check out books from the school media center. Students may choose one of their own books from home to read. Please check your child's blue folder for the reading log and sign it each week.

Math and other written homework assignments will begin no later than August 16.

### Take-Home-Tuesday

Every two weeks beginning August 17 graded papers will be sent home inside your child's blue folder. They will be stapled together in a packet with a signature page on top. You will also receive score reports from diagnostic assessments (such as i-ready) and other tests that are administered online so that you will be aware of the progress that your child is making. Most homework will be checked in class and will not be part of the take home Tuesday packet.



## Keeping Organized with the Binder

All students will maintain a binder this year. The 2-inch size is best. Papers tend to fall out of the smaller sized binders when students open the rings.

Students will be provided a set of tabbed dividers labeled with the subject areas. As we learn about important concepts, students will be guided to take notes that they will keep in the binder. They will also receive important handouts to be filed in the appropriate section. I encourage your student to take the binder home to review concepts and share their learning with you; however students are responsible for bringing the binder back to school each day.

## Birthdays

If you would like for your child to share cupcakes with the class on his/her birthday, I can serve them during lunch time which is 11:45-12:15. This is the *only* time of day that we can have cupcakes.

*Please be sure to sign up for Class Dojo and check regularly for announcements. Class Dojo is also the fastest and most direct way to reach me with any questions or concerns.*

## Specials Schedule 10:30-11:10

### Monday

Computer Lab

### Tuesday

STEM Science Lab

### Wednesday

P.E. \*Remember to wear tennis shoes!

### Thursday

STEM Math Class

### Friday

Music

## Reminders to Parents

1. Breakfast begins at 7:00. Classroom instruction begins at 7:30. Students are tardy as of 7:31.
2. All changes to the way your child goes home in the afternoon must be received in writing.
3. Please notify me and the front office of any changes to your contact information.
4. If your child has a fever, they must remain at home until they are fever free for 24 hours.
5. Always send an excuse (parent written or doctor) when your child returns from an absence.