Dear Parents and Guardians,

**WELCOME TO THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF 5TH GRADE!!!!!!** We are excited about the new school year and hope that you are as well. It is our hope that this will be an awesome and fantastic year for all of us. This year 5th grade will be departmentalized, your child will rotate classes for Math, ELA and Science/Social Studies.

**Below are a few reminders that we would like to share with you:**

* **Parent/ Teacher Relationships are necessary!!**We need you to assist your child with homework, encourage them to do their best, and ensure that they are studying each night. Also, remind your child about the proper behavior that should be displayed at each day. All students are expected to follow the school and classroom rules. Please feel free to contact your child’s teachers about his or her progress, or any problem you may have. **Please update your contact information if it changes during the year. We must have a working phone number in case of an emergency.** During the school year check for messages from your child’s teacher.

* **HOMEWORK** Please ask your child to share and show their homework to you. We ask that you make sure your child is completing all of their homework assignments. This is an important part of learning and should be taken seriously.
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 **Students and teachers can access Canvas through their**[**Launchpad**](https://launchpad.classlink.com/rcboe)**account.**

**If you are ready to log-in, watch this quick how-to video:** [**https://rcboe.instructure.com/courses/35570**](https://rcboe.instructure.com/courses/35570)

* **BEHAVIOR!!** We will be following the Richmond County Code of Conduct. Please review the rules, consequences, and rewards with your child to ensure that there is a clear understanding of what is expected at all times during the school year.
* **GRADING!!**  We encourage each of you to sign up for the Infinite Campus Parent Portal located at [www.rcboe.org](http://www.rcboe.org) to keep track of your child’s grades. Students are also able to access their grades on Launchpad at <https://launchpad.classlink.com/rcboe>
* **PROJECTS!!** Your child will be given projects to complete this school year. More information will be given at a later date. A rubric will be provided for each project so that the expectations are met.
* **ASSESSMENTS!!**
* Ticket in or out the door
* I-Ready Reading and Math assessments for Beginning, Middle, and End of Year
* Teacher common assessments
* **Georgia Milestone (End of Grade). Each 5th Grader must pass or meet state requirements on READING and MATHEMATICS. These subjects are very critical this year. If you know that your child struggles in one or both of these areas, please work with them and keep in constant contact with your child’s teachers to ensure success throughout the year and on the test**.

We look forward to meeting each of you over the course of the school year. Please do not hesitate to call your child’s teacher or schedule a time to meet with the teacher. I hope that this year will be a great experience for you and your child. If there are any questions or concerns, each teacher can be reached via the school at (706) 796-4658. Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Sincerely,

The Fifth Grade Dream Team

Mrs. Bush, Mrs. Willingham and Mr. Brantley

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Welcome Letter

Student:
I have read and understand the above rules, consequences, policies, and procedures.  I will honor and abide by these policies while in every class.

 Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Parent(s):
My child and I have read and discussed the above rules, consequences, policies, and procedures.  I understand the policies and procedures and will support them.

 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_