

HOT TOPICS in 4th GRADE!

Planners:

Students are required to write in their planner every day. This planner is a great tool for parents to see what their child has done in school as well as what they may have for homework. (If there is a highlighted item in their planner, that is the work they need to finish at home.)

The planner is also a great communication tool. If I have questions or comments, I will write them in the planner; therefore, it is important for parents to check the planner each night. Please initial the planner nightly so I am aware that you have seen it. I will check planners daily and indicate that I have done so with a stamp or star. If you have questions or comments, please feel free to write a message on the bottom of the page and encourage your child to show me the message right away in the morning.

Parent/Teacher Communication:

Open communication is crucial for a successful school year. If you have concerns or feel there is something I should know, please write a message in your child's planner (as mentioned above), email me, or give me a call. I can be reached at (952) 492-4304. My email address is laamlid@isd717.org. To update you on the "happenings" in fourth grade, I will email a screenshot of our newsletter each week.

Snack:

Each morning, we will have a short snack break. Your child is allowed to bring a small, healthy snack each day for him/herself. In addition, we do celebrate birthdays in fourth grade. Students are welcome to bring a treat to share if they would like. We do ask that the treat is store bought. (If your child has a summer birthday, we can celebrate on a day that you choose.)

Homework:

Fourth graders are encouraged to read at least 20 minutes each night. Books should be brought back and forth from school to home so students can read the same book whether they are at home or school. Students should keep track of their minutes in their planner. (Please record this by the tiny book on the bottom of the daily column.) At the end of the month, students who read 20 days will be rewarded!

Homework will be assigned on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students should complete the homework and bring it back the following day.

Fourth graders are given time during the day to complete in class assignments; however, if they are not able to complete the assignment in class they will need to complete it that night and bring it back the next day.

Spelling:

Students will have weekly spelling lists. Spelling activities will be done at school to practice the words. Some students may also need to practice the words at home. The final spelling test will be given on Friday or the last day of the week if it is a short week. (Spelling lists can be found on the fourth grade website or in the weekly newsletter.)

School Supplies:

If at any time during the school year supplies run short, are lost, or are no longer in working condition, please replenish them as soon as possible. Thank you so much!

Grading:

At Jordan Elementary School, we have a grading system that uses the letters "ESPN". Final grades will be given at the end of each semester.

E (Excellent) 90-100%

S (Satisfactory) 80-89%

P (Progressing) 70-79%

N (Needs Improvement) 0-69%

Behavior Plan:

At JES, we believe in taking a positive approach to discipline. We encourage all students to make wise choices. They are expected to be responsible, respectful, and safe.

If students choose not to be responsible, respectful, or safe in fourth grade, the incident is written in their planner. Occasionally, your child may receive a "Just Stop and Think" form. These forms will be sent home if your child needs a reminder to be responsible, respectful, or safe. Please sign the form and send it back to school with your child.

Positive Reinforcements:

J-Town Pride Pass -- When students go "above and beyond" what is expected, they may earn this special award.

DAILY

schedule

8:10-8:25	Morning Meeting
8:25-9:05	Core Math
9:05-9:35	JWIN Math
9:35-9:55	Read to Self/Snack
9:55-10:15	Language Arts
10:21-11:11	Specials
11:15-12:05	JWIN Reading
12:05-12:15	Read Aloud
12:15-1:05	Recess/Lunch
1:10-2:00	Core Reading
2:00-2:30	SSP
2:30-2:45	End of Day Activities

Specials

Day 1 - PE

Day 2 - Music

Day 3 - Art

Day 4 - PE

Day 5 - Media/Technology