

Dear Parents and students,

Below you will find answers to some of the most commonly asked questions about 6th grade. Please read these together carefully.

Attendance

Our district policy requires students to be in attendance 90% of all school days.

Our school doors open at 8:25am. Students not in the classroom at 8:30am need to check in at the office and will be marked tardy. We are out this year at 3:10 pm Monday-Thursday, and 1:20 on Fridays.

If your child is sick or going out of town and misses class, he or she will be responsible to get the missed class work. All assignments need to be completed within one week upon returning to class. We would ask that dental, eye, and other appointments are scheduled after school whenever possible.

Birthdays

Students are welcome to bring in treats on their birthday to pass out at the end of the day to all class members. The county health department requires that treats be commercially prepared and wrapped. Also, please note, that many students have peanut allergies so we ask that you avoid any treats that contain peanuts.

Calls

The phone ringing in our classrooms is a big interruption. Please limit phone calls to the classroom for emergencies only. Arrange with your child for picking up younger siblings, reminding them to go to scouts, and other after school activities before school. Students may only call home for emergencies. If your student must bring a cell phone to school they will be required to keep it in their backpacks, turned off. There will be no texting or calls allowed during school hours. (8:25-3:10) Students that misuse this policy will have their phones taken and parents will be required to retrieve the phones from the office.

Contacting a teacher

The best way to contact a teacher with non-emergency messages would be to send a note with your child. Next, would be to call the school 374-4960 and leave a message with the secretary. We will return your call as soon as possible. You may choose to email a teacher: Mrs. Cobia- carolinc@provo.edu Mr. Sprunger- bills@provo.edu

Grades

Grades will be sent home periodically to help keep you informed of your child's progress. In the near future your student will be taught how to go on line to check their grades

Goals

All of the 6th grade students will be writing goals for this coming year. Please review these goals often with your student and make additions and adjustments as needed. As the need arises please feel free to set new goals with your student to help keep them motivated and challenged this year.

Graduation requirements

Students are required to return all books, supplies and textbooks at the end of the year in good condition. If not returned, parents are responsible to pay for the replacement cost. (Library books, calculators, textbooks, guided reading books, classroom books, etc.)

Health

6th grade students need sleep to be able to continue growing and learning. Sometimes they stay up late reading, watching TV or playing games. It is then difficult for them to concentrate during class. Please protect their good health by making sure they get at least 8 hours of sleep. 6th graders also need to shower and use deodorant daily. This will make it more pleasant for others to be around them. ☺

Homework

Our sixth grade homework is preparatory for the middle school. Homework is dependant upon assignments given and completed during the day. Students are given practice work to complete during the school day and are asked to finish any work not completed as homework. Parents should review planners daily for Spelling/Vocabulary assignments, Book Club/Literature reading, Math assignment, Journals, Writing, Poetry, etc.

Planners

Each student has been given a planner to record daily assignments. Students will have time each day to write in planners. Parents need to initial planners each night for the first few weeks of school.

Reading

6th grade students are expected to read at least 30 minutes a day. Their reading goals will be recorded in their Road to Success folders. These are due every Monday and are part of their Language Arts grades.

Thank you for reviewing these together. If you have any other questions please be sure to ask. We are looking forward to a great year!

Mrs. Cobia

Mr. Sprunger