

# Mrs. Simonsen.com

Lakeville Community Schools

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## **Daily Planners-**

Student will be required to carry with them their daily planner. This must be taken home and returned to school daily. Students are responsible for filling in any homework or announcements teachers make. Parents are responsible for checking the planners **EVERY NIGHT** and initialing at the bottom of each day. These planners are a wonderful communication tool. If your child comes home without anything written in the planner, ask them to recall what they did during the day and fill it out. Planners are also used for transporting graded papers, homework, and notes from teachers.

## **Behavior Plan-**

The entire school is using the following Positive Behavior Support plan:

- Purple - Three punches on Reward Card
- Pink - Two punches on Reward Card
- Blue - One punch on Reward Card
- Green – Perfect
- Yellow – Verbal Warnin
- Orange – 5 min. off activity/recess & Oops Book
- Red – Lunch Detention & Call Home

At the end of the day I have students mark what color they were on their daily planner and then hold punch their behavior card for positive colors. Once students reach 15 hole punches I give them the opportunity to look through my reward binder.

## **Homework-**

I expect all students to read 20 minutes every day, five days a week. Other than that, I am trying a new policy in which I will not be sending home homework.

## **Snack-**

For our daily snack we will be eating healthy. Please follow the student handbook on this as we do not want kids eating sugary items that will hinder learning. Suggestions include fruit, vegetables, cheese, healthy crackers/granola bars, and yogurt. Please avoid chocolate items for their amounts of caffeine and chips/candy for health reasons.

## **Book Orders-**

Periodically throughout the year I will send home book order forms. I have found them to have many reasonably priced books. I am also able to get some free books with every order for our classroom library. Promoting reading inside and outside of the classroom makes great improvements in student performance. Please make checks out to Scholastic Books or cash.

## **Classroom Volunteers-**

If you are interested in being a classroom volunteer please let me know or sign the sheet at the open house. If you are unable to help at school, but would like to help out in another way, that would also

be appreciated. We are always looking for volunteers to read with the students, help with crafts, or plan future parties.

### **Water Bottles-**

Drinking water is encouraged in my classroom. No other beverage is to be consumed in the classroom (except for special occasions). Please be sure that the bottles close tightly.

### **Grading-**

All of the teachers stick to below percentage scale for grading. The key is to turn in your homework on time. My policy is that one day late is 75% credit, two days late is 50% credit and three or more days is 0% credit. For each day absent you get a day to make up your homework, but it is the child's responsibility to ask.

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| 100-90% | A |
| 89-80%  | B |
| 79-70%  | C |
| 69-60%  | D |
| 59-0%   | E |

### **Items to Leave at Home-**

- CD players
- Hand-held games
- Card games
- Toys
- Electronics of any type
- Distracting classroom supplies (like crazy pencils, calculators that beep etc.)
- Purses, make-up, brush/comb, etc.
- Bad attitudes (

\*These items will be confiscated per school policy. Parents will have to come to school for the return of the items.

### **To Contact Mrs. Simonsen-**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me immediately. I can be reached by phone or email:

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Sincerely,

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