

Dear Parent(s) and/or Guardian(s):

### Introduction:

Welcome to 1<sup>st</sup> Grade at Myra Linn Elementary! I am Ms. Mirza and I want to welcome you to room #11 where we are #college&careerbound! With the implementation of Common Core, I will do my best to ensure that your child succeeds in Art, Computer Science, English Language Arts (ELA), English Language Development (ELD), Foundational Skills, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education (P.E.), Reading, Science, Social Studies, & Writing. By collaborating together, I am confident that we will boost your child's confidence in order to meet state standards in a rich, productive environment. It is important that we work together and communicate. Therefore, communication will occur in a variety of ways: Class Dojo, homework packets, phone calls, progress reports, report cards, Parent-Teacher Conferences, in-person and/or as a parent volunteer.

# Homework Policy:

Homework will be assigned weekly. Your child will receive a new homework packet every Monday (or Tuesday if there is a holiday) and it is his/her responsibility to turn it in on Friday or on Monday when holiday weekends arise. The homework needs to be completed with a parent and/or guardian signature at the bottom. In addition, it needs to be neat and organized. If homework is not turned in, your child will not receive credit for it unless it is an excused absence. Please keep in mind that the homework is designed to reinforce the skills taught in the classroom. If you have any questions concerning the homework, please do not hesitate to contact me or write a note on the homework packet.

Homework may also be assigned in the google classroom. Students may need to complete an assignment(s) in google classroom. Students should be familiar with this from the previous school year.

#### Classroom Management & Discipline:

The following is a brief explanation of the classroom rules, clip chart system, privileges & rewards as well as the consequences. These have been designed to establish an organized and disciplined learning environment as well as its alignment to Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS).

#### Classroom Rules:

- Be proactive learners, thinkers, & doers
- Be on time and prepared for class.
- Active listening means not interrupting others & responding respectfully
- Be Respectful and kind to yourself, the teacher, & others (this includes belongings & ideas).
- Follow directions the first time.
- Raise your hand to speak.
- Participate in class.

- Keep your hands and feet to yourself.
- Make wise decisions inside & outside the classroom.

# Clip-Chart System

- -Outstanding (Purple) -Great Choices (Blue) -Excellent Effort (pink)
- -Ready to Learn (Green) -Make Better Choices (Yellow-Time Out)
- -Teacher's Choice (Orange)\* [Loss of a Privilege]
- -Parent Contact (Red)\* [Parent/Guardian Contact & Loss of a Privilege]

### Privileges & Rewards:

- Class Brag Tags
- Various special class privileges.
- Mirza Money: An incentive system in which students can earn Mirza Money (to buy things in classroom store) for the following:
  - Daily Perfect Attendance
  - o Turning in a completed & neat Homework Packet
  - o Earning 100% on a Literacy quiz or a Math Fast Facts quiz
  - Knowing all of their weekly HFWs
  - o Excellent P.E. Report
  - Excellent Guest Teacher Report
  - o Participation in Class
  - Following the Rules
- Table Points: A daily incentive system for students in cooperative table groups.
- Prize Box

Student Name

Overall, I am looking forward to this new school year with enthusiasm and unbridled confidence! My hope is that your child enjoys their academic journey in 1<sup>st</sup> grade and mold into critical thinkers who are focused, independent, and globally-minded. Teaching is my vocation and every day we will "realize our unlimited potential" at Myra Linn Elementary. If you have any questions/concerns, you may reach me at the school at (951) 358-1630 ext. 360-013 or via ClassDojo. I look forward to seeing you soon! ©

Parent Signature

Date