

# Virtual Open House

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade 2021-2022

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# Ms. Sklar & Ms. Maloney's Class

## TECHNOLOGY

### **WHAT IS CANVAS CLASSROOM?**

CANVAS IS THE PORTAL WE USE TO HOUSE ALL OF OUR ONLINE CURRICULUM AND DIGITAL INSTRUCTION. STUDENTS CAN ACCESS SOME ASSIGNMENTS AND OTHER HELPFUL TOOLS THROUGH THEIR CANVAS COURSES.

**We will send out tutorial videos on how to use Canvas via REMIND.**

# Ms. Sklar & Ms. Maloney's Class

## MATH/SCIENCE

### **Homework**

Students will be writing in their agenda books daily so they can develop strong study skills that they will carry with them through the rest of their education. However, students will very often be given time in class to work on their assignments. Therefore, they may not necessarily have homework on a nightly basis. If they complete their assignment in class, then they need to place a check mark in the check box beside that assignment in their agenda books at the end of the day before they go home.

If there isn't a checkmark beside the assignment, they need to complete the assignment for homework. Any assignments that need to be completed at home for homework should be placed in the LEFT pocket of their student organization binders each day. This way, they know exactly what they need to work on each night. There should be a label on the left pocket of their binders which says "incomplete work".

### **How to access the math curriculum and instructional videos from our daily math lessons**

Students can use GANVAS to access everything they can possibly need related to math and science from home. We use GANVAS at the beginning of class each day, so the students are well trained at this point. If they are absent on a particular day, they will know exactly how to find out what they are missing on that particular day. For a quick tour of our specific MATH and SCIENCE GANVAS pages please view the video that we send via REMIND101. You will learn how to find out what we are learning each day, how to access the PDF's of our textbooks, how to find the instructional videos, and extra math resources to help with math fluency at home.

# Ms. Sklar & Ms. Maloney's Class

## ELA/SOCIAL STUDIES

### Homework

The only Language Arts homework required for all students is to read each night for at least 20 minutes. Students greatly benefit from reading frequently and talking about what they've read! We do plenty of practice in school, and the skills we learn in Language Arts are frequently spiraled through and retouched on, so no worksheets needed at home!

### Canvas

We mainly use Canvas for reading centers and entering Wonders Tests after taking them on paper. We will also use canvas in Social Studies for occasional assignments. The skills and concepts we are currently working on in ELA will be displayed on the "Wonders Focus Wall" on the ELA homepage.

### AR Goals

AR is a resource where students take comprehension tests based on the books they choose that are on their own personal reading level. They all have a point and percentage goal for each nine weeks. The students and teacher conference each grading period to determine an appropriate reading level and goal (based around STAR assessment). Students have until the end of each nine week grading period to make his or her goal. You can track your child's progress using the AR website through ClassLink. If a student does not meet his/her AR point goal or percentage (80%), it will be reflected under "Works Independently" on their report card.

# Ms. Sklar & Ms. Maloney's Class

## CONFERENCES

Please use the link below to sign up for a conference to discuss your child's progress. We will do conferences via Zoom or in-person. Please select the day, time and type of conference that works best for you.

[Conference Sign Up!](#)

# Ms. Sklar & Ms. Maloney's Class

## SNACK & CLASS TREATS

### Snack

Please send in enough snack for 25 students at the beginning of each month if you are able. This way, we can ensure each child has a snack daily, and we don't have to keep track of a calendar.

### Birthdays

Birthday Treats need to be individually wrapped. Please notify your child's homeroom teacher when you want to send something in so we can plan accordingly.

**\*\* Helpful Tip\*\*** Hostess and Little Debbie have pre-wrapped birthday treats that are affordable, super easy to pass out, and easy for students to carry into school.

### Water Bottles

We are still advising that students don't drink directly from the water fountains. It is best that you send your child with a water bottle daily that can be refilled using the water fountains.

# Mrs. Barkve & Ms. Murphy's Class

## ELA/SOCIAL STUDIES

### Homework:

The only homework for ELA is to read 20 - 30 minutes each night and complete the reading log. The reading logs are due each Monday when returning the Friday folders. They should be filled out completely and signed by both student and parent/guardian. The only other homework is to study the vocabulary words.

### Canvas:

We will be working with Canvas in the classroom for small group/center time and for some Social Studies work. We will move toward implementing it in the upcoming weeks as we get more into our routine.

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# Mrs. Barkve & Ms. Murphy's Class

## MATH/SCIENCE

### Math and Science Grade Percentages

70% Tests

20% Quizzes

10% Classwork

### Math

We use the Go Math Curriculum. A copy of the student textbook, practice book (for homework pages), and interactive student textbook can all be found in Think Central, a tile available through Classlink. This is also where students will input their test answers, so you can review their results after it has been graded. 4th grade math is HARD-but there are things you can do to help! Please help check over your child's homework. These practice pages go over the skills we learned in class that day. It is also VERY important that students know all of their multiplication facts from 0-12. These facts lay a great foundation for this school year! Some programs we will use in class are Reflex Math, Prodigy, iReady Math, and SplashLearn.

### Math Retest Policy

Students that score below a 70% on a Go Math assessment will be required to retest. Students that score at or above a 70% will be given the option to retest. If a child retests, the higher of the 2 test scores will go in Focus.

### Science

We use the HMH Florida Science textbook. Some different topics we will cover this year include Earth in space, rocks and minerals, and life cycles. When completing Science work online, we will use Canvas and the Ed Learning tile in Classlink.



# Mrs. Barkve & Ms. Murphy's Class

## communication

### Remind101

We primarily use Remind to communicate with families. If you haven't already joined our Remind groups, please reach out to us for the codes.

### Friday Folders

On Fridays, we send out our "Friday Folders", which will contain items such as our weekly newsletter, field trip forms, reading logs, vocabulary lists, completed classwork, and other important papers. Please empty the folders over the weekend and return it on Monday so that we can prepare them again for that Friday.

### Parent-Teacher Conferences

During the Fall, we are going to be having optional parent-teacher conferences with our families. This conferences will be held via Zoom. Although brief, they will be packed full of information about diagnostic testing, classroom participation, suggestions for practice at home, and more. Please look for a sign-up link to be sent out soon!

# Mrs. Barkve & Ms. Murphy's Class

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### Birthdays

Birthday Treats need to be individually wrapped. Please send in at least one for each child (26 total). Notify your child's homeroom teacher when you want to send something in so we can plan accordingly.

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# ABSENCES AND CHANGES

## Make-Up Work

Following an absence, your child will receive make-up work upon their return to school. Make-up work should be completed and returned in a timely manner. The number of days absent is equal to the number of days your child has to complete their make-up work. For example, if your child missed 2 days of school, he/she has 2 days to complete their make-up work.

## Quarantined Students

If your child needs to be absent for an extended time for quarantining, please reach out to your child's teacher. Your child will be able to check out their Chromebook for online work completion, and we may have work packets available for pick-up as well.

## Transportation Changes

All changes in transportation should be communicated to the front office prior to dismissal. You can also send your child's homeroom teacher a message with the information, but it is not necessary. The front office will let us know of any changes.

# GRADES

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Grades are accessible to students and parents through FOGUS. Students log into their Glasslink accounts with their STUDENT ID and Student Pins.

They have this information in their binders.

This is how report cards and progress alerts are accessed. There will no longer be any paper progress alerts or report cards sent home. They will be published via FOGUS.



# TEACHER CONTACT INFO

To get in touch with us by phone please call 850-487-1216. The front office will connect you if we are not with students. Our e-mails are listed below:

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