

August 11th, 2022

Dear Parents and Student,

This year, your student will be a part of our sixth grade team here at Cherry Avenue! Welcome Bulldogs! Your child's teacher will be Ms Diaz, Ms. Ibarra, or Mrs. Machado. Please let us know any way we can help to make this year the best!

Here is some information about your new teachers:

Ms. Diaz- Welcome to your new school! I am excited to be your child's 6th grade teacher! I am looking forward to working with and getting to know each of my students and their families. I will do my very best to make their learning experience interesting, meaningful, and fun. I believe in a safe classroom environment for all students in my classroom and on campus. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please feel free to call me.

Ms. Ibarra- Welcome to Cherry! I have been with the Tulare City School District for nine years and enjoy it very much. My classroom is a safe learning environment, where I strive to help my students succeed not just academically but socially and emotionally as well. We work together to make it the best and positive educational experience for your child. If there are any concerns or questions you have for me, feel free to reach out through email, phone calls, or Classcraft. I have a class website, www.ribarrala.weebly.com you may visit for any announcements or class link.

Mrs. Machado- Welcome to Cherry Avenue!!! This is my third year teaching at Cherry Avenue and I am so excited to begin the school year in person with your child. My classroom is a fun, safe learning environment for all students to be themselves and achieve success together. I am eager to begin the school year and to get to know each of my students and their families. If you ever need to get in contact with me, I can be reached through email amachado@tcsdk8.org, Classcraft or at the school phone number.

Registration- please complete the online registration on Aeries Parent Portal if you haven't no later than Wednesday, August 17, 2022

Absences

We realize absences due to illness, doctor appointments, etc. are often unavoidable. However, we would like to emphasize the importance of good attendance. If your child feels ill in any way, please call the office and let them know. As your child progresses in school, it becomes harder to make up for missed work. **Each student is responsible for all assignments given during the absence.** If the student has not turned in the work within a reasonable time, he/she must use

recesses to complete it. Allowances will be made for lengthy illnesses. **Please send a note on the first day back to school to aid the office in their paperwork.**

Organization

Cherry is an AVID school. In sixth grade we help to prepare your student for junior high next year. We are providing a binder with 6 tabs and a pencil pouch (with 2 pencils, a red pen, and blue or black pen, an eraser, and a highlighter). If lost, students will need to purchase a replacement. They will also receive a planner to record assignments and other information.

Students are required to copy information from the board daily reflecting assignments and activities of the day. This is to teach organization and responsibility and keep you better informed. Assignments should be checked off as completed. Please check the information BEFORE you sign it weekly. Your child should show you the work before signing it to be sure the student has completed their work.

Homework

Homework may be given weekly. It will be given the first day of the week and be turned in on Thursday. Any classwork that isn't completed will also be homework.

Grading Policy

Our goal in our classes is to learn the material that is laid out in the California Common Core State Standards. Students are expected to complete all assignments. In addition, students may redo assignments to demonstrate increased understanding. They are responsible for asking the teachers for any make-up assignments.

- 4- Exceeds Standard
- 3- Meeting Standard
- 2- Near standards
- 1- Below Standard

SCICON

You will receive more information a few weeks before your trip. The cost is \$50 and can be paid in the office during the year. All classes will be attending together on February 27- March 3, 2022.

Communication

We use the Aeries electronic gradebook. You will receive information on accessing this form also. Grades are available at any time during the year. Please review these and discuss with your student, then contact us regarding any concerns or discrepancies. In most instances, they are very aware of their grades and the reason for that current grade.

If you have a need to contact us, the school phone number is 685-7320. In addition you may contact the following:

Ms. Diaz: cd3406@tcsdk8.org or Classcraft app
Ms. Ibarra: ribarra@tcsdk8.org or Classcraft app
Mrs. Machado: amachado@tcsdk8.org or Classcraft app

Classroom Guidelines

Classroom expectations can be summed up into three simple life skills. Show love, respect, and obey. We show love by treating others the way we would like to be treated and by looking for opportunities to help. Love by our definition is an action, not a feeling. Examples of respect can be raising your hand, being where you need to be on time, or having work prepared for your group. Obey is simple to define and a challenge to achieve. The school, the classroom, the home, and all of society have rules to help us be organized and civilized. Remember, Cherry is a Character Counts school!

Positive consequences for demonstrating good character:

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| * Praise | * Notes and calls to parents |
| * Tickets/Classcraft Points | * Bathroom passes |
| * Special privileges | * Homework passes |

If you choose to break a rule, some negative consequences include:

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| 1st time | Verbal Warning |
| 2nd time | Written Warning- name on board (D.O.G.S. Form) |
| 3rd time | Check mark on board (D.O.G.S. Form) |
| 4th time | Second check mark on board (D.O.G.S. Form) Parent contact, referral, and/or after school. |

Serious offenses may be referred immediately to the principal or vice-principal. We have discussed this packet with your child and will remind them of what is expected throughout the year. Please help your child understand his/her responsibilities.

Please return THIS PAGE ONLY to your child's homeroom teacher.

We have read, discussed and understood this packet.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please provide the following information for my records.

Names of Parents: _____

Address: _____

Rank for best way to contact (1,2,3)

Texts O.K.

_____ Home Phone _____

_____ Mom Cell _____

_____ Dad Cell _____

EMAIL address _____

Comments or

concerns: _____
