

MR. REBMAN'S 5TH GRADE CLASS 2015-2016



COMMUNICATION BETWEEN HOME / SCHOOL:

Good communication is important to me. I welcome you to contact me any time you need. There are a number of ways that we can keep lines of communication open between school and home.

- Email- crebman@lakelinden.k12.mi.us (I will send regular emails home concerning upcoming tests and other important events.)
- Phone:
 - School- 296-6221
 - Home- 296-2110
 - Cell- 369-3200 (My wife and I share this phone. Call it if you are unable to reach me at home.)
- Daily Homework Chart/Planner (Found in blue home folder. Please check and sign daily. You may leave notes on this chart for me and I will respond.)
- Website- www.mrrebman.weebly.com (Will be updating multiple times each week.)
- Schedule an appointment to meet with me before or after school.

CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT PLAN:

Mrs. Rowe and I are using the same plan and strive to be firm, fair, and consistent. We follow the "CHAMPS" program.

C- Communication
H- Help
A- Activity
M- Movement
P- Participation
S- Success

The goal is for students to understand what is expected of them at all times and to positively reinforce desired behavior. It also addresses those negative behaviors that we want to reduce. In addition to the school-wide rules, there are 6 basic rules that we have for our class.

1. Listen while others are speaking.
2. Follow directions the first time.
3. Stay on task during all work times.
4. Raise your hand and wait to be called on.
5. Come to class with all supplies and homework completed.
6. Keep your hands, feet, and objects to yourself.

1st time a child disobeys a rule = warning + 30 second class detention

2nd time a child disobeys a rule = recess detention +30 second class detention

3rd time a child disobeys a rule = email/call parents +30 second class detention

For every negative incident a circle is put on the board. Throughout the day, positive incidents nullify the negative ones. At the end of the day the class is given points based on the number of negative incidents that remain on the board. For example, if the class has 0 circles on the board they receive 5 points. If they have between 1-5 circles they get 4 points. The more circles the fewer the points awarded. When the class reaches 100 points they will receive a reward.

HOMEWORK:

Homework is expected to be completed daily and turned in on time. If a homework assignment is not completed by the due date, I will ask your child to complete it during a recess period. Late homework will be marked down 10 percentage points for being a day late and 20 percentage points for being two days late. If the assignment is still not turned in after two days, it will receive a "0". I do give some time each day to work on homework. If time is used wisely, your child should have no more than 15-30 minutes of homework in the evening.

I expect all homework to be labeled with the student's name and date. Any graded paper that lacks a name will be marked down 10 percentage points.

ORGANIZATION:

To help with organization in 5th grade, your child is **required** to maintain a homework chart/planner. I will have some information on the planner, but your child will be responsible for writing down day to day assignments. Your child will be bringing it home **daily** and asking you for a signature. This parent signature is **required**.

MT. RAINIER OF READING:

On our classroom wall we have the Mt. Rainier of Reading. Students "climb" this mountain by reading at home and recording their reading on their Climbing Log. For every minute read students receive 5 vertical feet of climbing. Students can read on their own, with a sibling, or even with their parents. All minutes read at home count! To verify minutes, please write down the number of minutes your child read and sign your name. I will update our mountain climbers every two weeks.

OTHER:

Gym: 5th grade is the year students begin showering for gym class. We will have gym on Wednesdays and Fridays. Please send essential items for this including proper gym clothes and separate gym shoes, body wash, shampoo, towel and deodorant.

Band: Your child will be given the opportunity to join band this year.

Basketball: Fifth graders have the chance to join organized basketball. This happens during the 2nd half of the year.

School Forest: We will be visiting the school forest throughout the year. In addition, I will host a couple of family nights for our 5th graders and their families.

Thank you for taking the time to read this lengthy note. If you have any questions or concerns at any time this year please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mr. Rebman

Please print your name, your child's name, and your contact information below. I will create a mailing list and keep you informed of important events.

Please tear off this page and have your child return it to me tomorrow. Keep the other pages and schedule for your reference.

Name _____ (child: _____)

Email Address: _____

Phone number(s): _____