

Ready to Travel Through a New School Year?!



**Mrs. Price's 3rd Grade Class
Parent Information Packet
2020 -2021**



Mrs. Price's 3rd Grade Classroom Dirksen Primary School 2020 -2021

Welcome to a brand new school year at Dirksen School! I am very excited to get to know each of your children and learn a lot along with them! I hope to serve your child and family's needs throughout the year. I have an open-door policy, so please do not hesitate to contact me with any ideas or concerns. Due to the COVID restrictions, currently only certified staff are allowed in the learning spaces, but I will do everything I can to keep you updated on what is happening in the classroom and support your child and work at home as much as possible! My contact information is provided below.

Thank you, ~Mrs. Price

"Life is a journey, not a destination." ~R.W. Emerson

Contact Information: I am most easily reached through the Remind app. I will do my best to answer all messages by the end of the school day. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me through the Remind app, phone, or email! I want this year to be positive for you and your child. Also, check out my classroom website! I like to keep the blog page and Twitter updated with pictures of what we are doing in the classroom!

Mrs. Emily Price

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Communication

- * Your child's homework folder will be sent home everyday. Please check the folder daily for assignments that need to be completed. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE FOLDER IS RETURNED TO SCHOOL EACH DAY WITH YOUR CHILD!
- * Each month, our class will send home a classroom newsletter entitled "Mrs. Price's Community." The students will co-produce each month's edition to share about what is happening in our classroom and some important dates. It is very important that you read the newsletter, as it will let you know what is happening in our classroom and what your child is learning. I will also send a video update about the curriculum that is being covered in the classroom! My goal is to keep you up to date on what we are learning and to give you tips and tricks about how to support your child at home when completing assignments.
- * The school calendar can be accessed on the district website.

Things to Know

- * **Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences** are November 5th & 6th, 2020
- * **3rd Grade Organization:** Students will be expected to be prepared each and every day by knowing where their materials are located. Everyday students need to have their personal district-provided Chromebooks (charged and ready to go), homework folders, notebook and folder. It will be very important for them to take care of their materials so that they are prepared and ready to learn each and every day!
- * **Birthday Invitations:** Invitations for birthday celebrations outside of school may only be sent to children outside of the school setting- **they may not be passed out at school.** Addresses that have been provided to our school by parent consent may be provided through the school office only. Please include either all girls to a girl party, all boys to a boy party, or the entire class to eliminate hurt feelings.
- * **Snack Time:** Every day we will have a morning snack. Although this is not required, it is recommended that each child come with a snack to school. Everyone is responsible for bringing their own snack to school. Snacks will not be shared. The snacks are highly encouraged to be something nutritious as well as quick and easy. Candy and sweets at this time are not allowed. **(Some great healthy snack ideas:** fruit, crackers and cheese, granola bars, bagels, muffins, raisins, dry cereal, etc.) Thank you for your cooperation!
***Note: Please do not have students store their snack for the week at school. We don't want to have any unwelcome visitors! ☺**
- * **PE Shoes:** Your child will need to bring PE shoes on Thursdays and Fridays according to the current schedule. They can wear the same tennis shoes worn to school, or they can bring a pair in their backpack. It is important that they are prepared for P.E. so they can get the most out of this exercise time.
- * **Recess and Lunch:** See current update from the district page.
- * **Sick/ Absent Work Procedures:** Students will be able to make up all missing and absent work. I will be able to take time to help your student understand what was missed. All student absent work will be collected for him or her while they are out of school and will be made up either with me or independently and be completed as soon as possible for full credit. Please keep in mind that some classroom activities cannot be made up due to the nature of the environment needed for that learning experience. Over the course of a day, students engage in many learning opportunities many of which happen through conversations or activities that cannot be duplicated for make up work.





Mrs. Price's Classroom Management Plan 2020-2021

Class Rules

- * At our school, we follow the five I-CARE Rules (see below). We also follow the rules stated in the District 108 Discipline Handbook signed by parents, students, and teachers. In addition to the I-CARE rules, I have 3 classroom rules that are to be followed at all times (see below).
- * I will also create behavior management plans with individual students on an as-needed basis throughout the school year to track behavioral goals and progress. If this is necessary I will contact you and we will discuss what is needed.

<u>I Care Rules</u>	<u>Mrs. Price's 3 Rules</u>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We listen to each other. 2. Hands are for helping, not hurting. 3. We use I Care language. 4. We care about each other's feelings. 5. We are responsible for what we say and do. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Looking -look at the person speaking 2. Listening -listen to the person sharing 3. Consideration -go out of your way to not drive others crazy 😊

- * I believe in open communication, so if there are problems occurring at school, I will keep you informed via phone, the Remind app, or email from the beginning. With that in mind, please make sure the contact information you provide is updated! I like to be an open book and work with parents together to provide the best education possible for your child.
- * Team building and character development are important aspects of our classroom community and learning curriculum in my classroom. Students will engage in discussions, reading opportunities, and other activities to develop their character qualities throughout the year. Students are encouraged to be conflict conquerors to peer mediate in order to solve conflict.

Tardiness Procedures for this year: Your child will need to be at school and in the classroom by 8:50 every day or he/she will be counted tardy. Classes will begin each day promptly at 8:50 AM. It is encouraged for your child to arrive by 8:40 as there will be morning work to complete and morning tasks to be prepared for the day.

Note to Parents: This classroom management plan is subject to change if needed during the school year. However, I will only make changes to the plan in order to improve the safety, classroom climate, or daily classroom life of students and myself.

"Life is either a daring adventure, or nothing at all." ~Helen Keller

