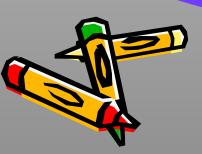


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Mrs. McGallister

5th Grade

Welcome, parents!



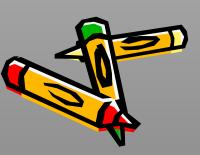
Welcome to 5th Grade!

- I will introduce you to our 5th grade classroom.
- Please feel free to send me questions anytime to melissa.mccallister@tangischools.org



Mrs. McCallister





I'm excited to have you in my class and look forward to a fun and productive year.

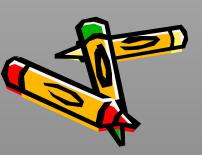
About Me

- My background
 - I grew up in Amite, La, but lived in Houston for 20 years before moving back to Louisiana 7 years ago.
 - I am happily married and have 1 child of my own, Cristian. He is in 12th grade.
 - I graduated from University of Southern Mississippi with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and received my Master's Degree from The University of Houston.
 - This is my 5th year teaching ELA and Social Studies in Tangipahoa Parish.



My Goals

 My motto is "each child working to his or her potential". I am passionate about differentiating instruction to meet the needs of each student. I believe that one size does not fit all in the classroom. I advocate that it is a teacher's job to meet the needs of each student individually, academically, emotionally, and socially. I love being part of a school that shares in my philosophy.



Class Subjects

- The subjects we cover in 5th grade Social Studies are
 - Indigenous Cultures of the Americas
 - European Exploration
 - Settlement of the Present Day United States
 - Colonial Advancements
 - The French and Indian Ware



* Taught by Mrs. McCallister

<u>Class</u> Subjects • The novels we will read in 5th grade ELA are The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe **Birchbark House** - Shutting Out The Sky - Making of a Scientist



Classroom Community

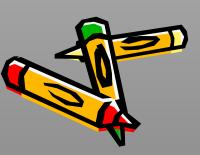
 Our classroom will be a loving community of responsible 5th graders. All students are expected to follow the rules and procedures. In return, they will be part of an active, pleasant learning environnmet and a positive classroom community.



Learner Profile

- We are:
 - · Open-minded
 - Risk-takers
 - Communicators
 - Inquirers
 - Balanced

- Reflective
- Caring
- Thinkers
- Knowledgeable
- Principled



School Times

- School starts at 7:55 a.m for breakfast and promptly at 8:20 a.m. for class.
- Students must grab breakfast after exiting the bus or carpool if they are eating. You will not be able to leave the class to go back.
- If a student is not in the classroom by the time the bell rings, <u>they must</u> check in at the school office and be signed in by a parent before coming to class.

Questions/Conferences

- Best ways to reach me is:
 - <u>By email</u> <u>melissa.mccallister@tangischools.org</u>
 - Call the school office (985) 345-8700 and leave a message

• Conference are available by appointment

Thank you for entrusting your child to Hammond Westside and myself.

With you and I working as a team for your child, he/she is sure to have great success.

I look forward to a great year!





