

Sheridan Elementary 4th Grade
Class Syllabus 2021-2022
By: Katie Grover

Class Description:

In 4th Grade we will be: Authors, Thinkers, Readers, Explorers, Learners, Mathematicians, Scientists, and Historians. Each day will be filled with learning.

When students arrive to class, they will be expected to fill out their daily planners and complete the morning board work. We will then do lunch count, attendance, and any other important announcements. At Sheridan Elementary, we say the pledge of allegiance daily as an entire school over the intercom.

After our morning work is completed, then we will move into math in which we will review previously learned content as well as scaffolding to the next skill. After math we have a short half hour of writing/grammar time before recess. Students are allowed to have a healthy snack after recess while we move into our hour of language arts. When lunch time is approaching, students will wash their hands before eating.

After lunch students will have a short time for silent sustained reading and then they will go outside for recess. After recess we have science. Following science students will have their specialist class (PE, Music, or Art depending on the day and the Trimester Schedule). When students arrive back to the classroom they will be allowed to have another healthy snack and then we will settle into social studies to finish out our day.

At the end of the day, students will be expected to clean up their area, take home mail, take home homework, and, if it is the end of the week, take home their water bottles to wash them. My expectations for the classroom align with the schools expectations of Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Successful, Be a PANTHER! Treat others the way you want to be treated.

Instructional Philosophy:

Students will be expected to come to class with all materials needed for the day, especially their planners. Their planners are important both to keep the students organized and for teacher/guardian communication. Students will be expected to fill out their planners daily, and get them signed by a parent/guardian nightly. Older siblings do not count as a guardian unless previously discussed with me. Students will be expected to complete all work in a timely manner, participate in class discussions, readings, and projects, and follow class/school rules. Students will be expected to engage in a variety of instruction including lectures, projects, group work, partner work, and individual work/assignments.

Grading Policy:

Students' grades will be figured using a combination of daily work, projects, essays, quizzes and tests. Their grades are based on a point system, and quizzes, tests, and projects will be worth more total points than daily assignments, so they will be weighted heavier.

I grade assignments promptly with appropriate teacher feedback in order for students to stay on top of assignments, reflect, and/or correct if needed.

All work is due the day after it is assigned unless otherwise specified. Partially completed assignments will not be accepted as completed work and will be returned to the student as a 0%. Work that is below a 70% can be corrected up to a 70% but it must be completed and turned in no later than one week after the original due date. I will encourage students to correct assignments, however, I will not force them to. If students refuse to correct assignments, then I will write refused to correct on top of that assignment, and students will keep the grade received. This instills some responsibility for students and their work ethic. Late assignments will be accepted with a 10% deduction for each day that it is turned in late from the assigned due date. Make up work will be accepted and students will be given the amount of days they were absent to complete their make up work.

Cheating:

Any form of cheating or plagiarism is an automatic zero for any assignment, test, project, essay, or quiz. A student who allows another student to copy will also receive a zero should the case arise.

Student of the Month Criteria:

In order for a student to be considered for student of the month that student must:

- Have passing grades in all subject areas
- Have all work completed
- Complete his/her planner and have it signed nightly
- Follow all school/classroom rules

Please return the bottom portion of this signed form by Tuesday 8/31/21 to verify that the student has discussed and read through this syllabus with his/her guardian/parent. This is to ensure that students and parents understand the expectations and policies outlined in this document. Please keep the above information and only return this portion. :)

Parent/Guardian

Date

Student

Date