

# WELCOME TO OPEN HOUSE!

Our teachers include:

**Mrs. Ericson** - Math

**Ms. Maayan** - Science & Writing

**Ms. Ryan** - Reading & S.S



# **NORTON KNIGHT EXPECTATIONS**

- ★ Be Cooperative
- ★ Be Respectful
- ★ Be Responsible
- ★ Be Kind



# TITLE I

## PLANNERS AND COMMUNICATION FOLDERS

### Expectations for the student:

- Copy down lessons/skills in planners as part of daily procedures
- Take both home each night and back to school the each day

### To stay up to date with the class:

- Check folders each night
- Sign and return any papers requesting a signature
- Refer to classroom newsletter for important dates and information
- Check email regularly

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS AND CALENDARS



## Classroom NEWSLETTER

### SEPTEMBER

#### Word Study

Sept 1-6

- convent, station, merchant, nation, princess, clever, stately, expert
- potato, connect

Sept 7-20

- involve, extreme, combine, position, middle, officer, empire, satellite, suffer, construction

Sept 21-29

- vibration, basis, decision, reflection, volume, direction, demand, simplify, projection, observant

#### OUR LEARNING focus...

**Math:** Decimal Place Value, Addition and Subtraction with Decimals

**Science:** Life Science- animal adaptations

**Writing:** Components of Essays & Paragraphs

**Reading:** Central Idea, Author's Perspective, Context Clues, Summarizing

**Social Studies:** Map Skills and Physical Features of the U.S.

#### Teacher Contact

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#### Specials Information

This year we are on a wheel rotation for specials. Please refer to [student assignments](#) and the calendar for assigned specials each week. Thank you!

**Camp Crystal is September 27-29th!**




## SEPTEMBER

SUN MON TUE WED THUR FRI SAT

Notes:  
September is Hispanic Heritage Month!  
"Keep your face always toward the sunshine and shadows will fall behind you." - Walt Whitman

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3	4 No School Labor Day	5	6 Chp. 142 Math Test SPPS Quiz	7 Open House 5:30pm	8	9
10	11	12 Unit 10 science test	13	14	15	16
17	18 Hot Reads This Week	19 Unit 1 ELA Test	20 Chp. 384 Math Test SPPS Quiz	21 Camp Medical Forms due to Nurse	22	23
24	25	26 Unit 11 science test	27 Camp Crystal	28 Camp Crystal	29 Camp Crystal	30

# SPECIALS

- We are now on a Monday-Friday schedule and this will be updated each quarter. [Additional Specials Information Here.](#)

1st Quarter - Ryan	
Mon.	Art
Tues.	Lab
Wed.	PE
Thurs.	Media
Fri.	Music

1st Quarter - Maayan	
Mon.	Music
Tues.	Art
Wed.	Lab
Thurs.	PE
Fri.	Media

1st Quarter - Ericson	
Mon.	PE
Tues.	Media
Wed.	Music
Thurs.	Art
Fri.	Lab

## **ATTENDANCE**

- If your child is absent (or if you need to update emergency contact information), please email your child's teacher/front office.  
[nortonattendance@gm.sbac.edu](mailto:nortonattendance@gm.sbac.edu)

## **WAY HOME**

- Please notify the front office of any changes with the way your child will go home. This can be a written note or emailed to [nortonattendance@gm.sbac.edu](mailto:nortonattendance@gm.sbac.edu). Please make any changes by 12pm.

# GRADING

Subject	Category	Weight
English/Language Arts (ELA)	Common Assessment	30%
	Writing Unit Assessment	15%
	Quizzes	25%
	Classwork	20%
	Homework	10%
Mathematics	Common Assessment	45%
	Quizzes	20%
	Classwork/ Journals	25%
	Homework	10%
Science	Unit Assessments	40%
	Labs (Inquiry)	30%
	Classwork/ Journals	30%
Social Studies	Assessments	40%
	Classwork	60%

# GRADING SCALES

## Conduct Grades

Letter	Description
S	Satisfactory
N	Needs Improvement
U	Unsatisfactory

Letter Grade	Percent Achievement	Grade Points	Progress Level
A	90 - 100	4.0	Outstanding
B+	87 - 89	3.0	
B	80 - 86	3.0	Above Average
C+	77 - 79	2.0	
C	70 - 76	2.0	Average
D+	67 - 69	1.0	
D	60 - 66	1.0	Lowest Acceptable



# **R e A D I N G**

Our 90 minute reading block and the key elements of reading:

- **Phonics:** SIPPS/Word Study
  - ◆ We study affixes, sound blends, sight syllables, and greek/latin roots (SIPPS Quizzes every ten days)
- **Fluency:** Cold/Hot Reads
  - ◆ Time to practice repeated readings for a chance to improve word reading skills (Hot reads are a quiz grade)
- **Vocabulary/Grammar:** Context Clues Practice, Targeted Grammar Practice
  - ◆ Assessed on unit test every three weeks
- **Comprehension:** Practice with grade level texts and lessons designed to meet state benchmarks
  - ◆ Assessed on unit test every three weeks

# HOMework POLICY

## Reading HW:

- Comprehension Page (80% of HW grade)
- Norton Reading Log Check-Off Weekly (20% of HW grade)
  - Beginning Monday, Sept. 11
- Practice Fluency (Graded on Hot Read)
  - in communication folder

HW is given on the first day of the week and due on the last day of the week.

All assignments will be accepted through the following Monday. Assignments not turned in receive a zero.

Incomplete assignments receive a point deduction.

# MATH

Our math block is 70 minutes and designed to facilitate student thinking using high-yield math strategies.

Following is a breakdown our the math block:

- Math Talks (10 minutes)
- Whole Group (30 minutes)
- Small group/Independent Practice (25 minutes)
- Wrap up (5 minutes)

Our core curriculum is Go Math! by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company.

# HOMework POLICY

## Math HW:

- One page nightly
  - Often modified based on skill to ensure quality of work over quantity
- No homework is given on Fridays or days of testing.

Due daily, but may be turned in by Friday at no penalty.

Incomplete assignments receive a point deduction.

Graded by completion and effort. Weekly grade is evenly distributed between nightly assignments.

# Science/Writing

## Science

- Students have a science notebook that we use almost daily. They are expected to keep it organized and up to date. I will periodically collect them for a grade.
- They are welcome to take it home to study, as long as they bring it back to school the following day.

## Writing

- We have writing once a week, we focus on the types of writing they will see on their ELA unit tests.
- As of now, state writing test is typed. I will try to give them as much practice as possible.
  - My Portal has a great typing program- [Typing.com](https://www.typing.com)



# CLASSROOM TESTING

**ELA-** Tests will be administered on computer following each three week unit.

**Math and Science-** Tests will begin paper pencil and slowly shift to computer based testing.

\*\*Test summary pages will be sent home with students in all subjects. All tests can be reviewed with the teacher upon request. \*\*

## Unit 7 Reading/Writing Test Score and Breakdown

### \*Informational Text\*

Reading Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Points: \_\_\_\_/25

#### **Comprehension Skills:**

##### -Text Structure

- Chronological Order, Compare/Contrast, Cause/Effect, Problem/Solution

##### -Context Clues/Vocabulary

- Meaning of unknown words or phrases

##### -Central/Main Idea

##### -Reasons and Evidence for Support

- Using reasons and evidence from text to support author's claim or main idea

##### -Text Features

- Understanding timelines, pictures, charts, or maps in relation to the text

##### -Compare and Contrast 2 Texts

\*Comprehension Points \_\_\_\_/20

#### **Grammar/Editing Skills:**

##### -Punctuating Appositives

##### -Capitalizing Proper Nouns

##### -Conjunctions in Clauses

\*Grammar/Editing Points \_\_\_\_/5

### \*Informational Essay\*

Writing Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Points: \_\_\_\_/10

#### **Tested Skills:**

##### -Organization and Focus

- 4 Paragraphs Minimum
  - Intro with Main Idea
  - 2-3 Body Paragraphs
  - Conclusion

- Logical Flow of Ideas
- Use of Transition Words

- Essay on topic based on prompt

\*Organization Points \_\_\_\_/4

##### -Evidence/Elaboration

- Clear topic sentences for body paragraphs
- Reasons from text to support ideas
- Giving credit to text for evidence (cite sources)
- Elaboration to support ideas
- Clear and effective expression of ideas
- Body paragraphs support main idea

\*Evidence/Elaboration Points \_\_\_\_/4

##### -Conventions

- Complete/Proper Sentences
- Proper Punctuation
- Capitalization
- Spelling

Conventions Points \_\_\_\_/2

# TEST PAGE EXAMPLES

## Math Chapter 1 Test Score and Breakdown

### \*Multiplication and Division of Whole Numbers\*

Overall Points \_\_\_\_/10 Test Score: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Multiplication Skills:**

##### -Multiply by One-Digit Numbers

- $4622 \times 7$

##### -Multiply by Two-Digit Numbers

- $5349 \times 23$

##### -Understand Word Problems

\*Multiplication Points \_\_\_\_/3

#### **Division Skills:**

##### -Divide by Two-Digits Partial Quotients

- $3568 / 13$

##### -Use Base Ten Pictures to Represent Division

##### -Use Compatible Numbers to Estimate division

##### -Understand Word Problems

Division Points \_\_\_\_/7

# STATE TESTING

- **Reading and Math FAST** - 3x Computer Based
  - Beginning, Middle, End
- **Writing FAST** - 1x Computer Based (End of Year)
- **Science (SSA)**- 1x End of Year



# CONTACT INFORMATION

- ❖ Please remember to update your Skyward contact information so we can reach you via phone or email.
- ❖ If you have any questions, comments, or concerns after this powerpoint, please send the 5th grade team an email!
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