An “All You Need to Know Guide” About

Miss Angles’ Class



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**Miss Angles’ Class List**

1. Hudson Bracken
2. Erin Briggs
3. Sam Browne
4. Ben Compton
5. Nile Dehkharghani
6. Haley Frederic
7. Kyler Genrich
8. Caroline Gordon
9. Amelia Hooper
10. Emma Kate Rodriguez
11. Sydney Maize
12. Kate Marquardt
13. Georgia Menees
14. Charlie Murphy
15. Ishan Patel
16. Colton Poe
17. Afraz Rawjani
18. Cady Reynolds
19. Aaron Richards

 20. Brock Sperry

1. Taft Stueve
 22. Lauren Thompson
2. Benjamin Vannest
3. Lauren Younger

## Class Schedule



8:35-9:00 Morning Work

 Morning work will consist of writing, geography and math exercises.



9:00-10:00 Reading

 During this time we will be working with our Lead 21 reading series adopted by the district along with other novels. There will be whole group reading, silent reading, paired reading, small group reading. Reading strategies and discussions will also occur during this time.

10:00-10:15 Snack/Brain Break

 Please send a snack in with your child. No nuts please! We will take a short break before moving on to writing.



10:20-11:00 Writing

 During this time we will go over different skills for writing. The kids will also have time to practice these skills in their writer’s workshop notebooks.

11:00-12:00 Specials

 Monday- Art

 Tuesday- Computer

 Wednesday- PE/Music

 Thursday- Spanish/PE

 Friday- Music/Spanish

12:05-12:35 Lunch

12:35-1:30 Math

We will use the Envision math series.

1:30-2:00 Science/Social Studies

During this time we focus on one of the content areas. The third grade will spend about six weeks on one discipline, and then switch to the next.

2:00-2:30 Recess

2:35-3:00 Math games/ Estimation/Skill Review

3:00-3:25 Science/Social Studies

Finish science and/or social studies lesson

\*\*Every other Wednesday, we will have a counselor lesson from

 3:00-3:30.

3:30 Pack and Stack/Read Aloud

3:40 Dismissal

Star Student

Monday: Bring in your Star Student Poster to share with the class.

Tuesday: I will send the Estimation Jar home with you on Monday night. You are to bring it back filled with anything you would like to put in it. Please make sure you have counted the items and taped that number to the bottom of the jar. You will be in charge of Estimation Station all week.

Wednesday: Parent Letter: Parents will write a letter to the class telling us how special your child is to you. Send the letter in a sealed envelope to school with your child, and I will read the letter to the class during our Morning Meeting. The content of the letter is up to you, but you may want to choose from the following ideas: Describe a special or funny story about your child, write a silly or serious poem about your child, or write a short story with your child as the main character. If you are high-tech, you can send a PowerPoint presentation to be played on the Smart Board. You can e-mail it to me or burn it to a CD.

Thursday: Lunch Buddy: If possible, join your child in the cafeteria for a special lunch on this day. You may also have a Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle or Family Friend come that day. Our lunch period is from 12:05-12:35. Let me know if you can’t make it and I will arrange a special lunch buddy for your child that day.

Friday: Please bring a family favorite story to share with the class. Please make sure that we can read the story in about a half hour time period. No chapter books, please!



For the week of…

August 22: Charlie

August 29: Nile

September 12: Afraz

September 26: Sam

October 3: Benjamin V.

October 17: Brock

October 31: Georgia

November 7: Colton

November 14: Lauren T.

November 28: Emma Kate

December 5: Aaron

December 12: Taft

January 9: Kate

January 23: Hudson

January 30: Sydney

February 6: Kyler

February 27: Ben C.

March 27: Cady

April 3: Amelia

April 10: Haley

April 17: Caroline

May 1: Ishan

May 8: Erin

May 15: Lauren Y.

### ABCs of 3rd Grade

ABSENCES: Much of our learning takes place together in class. We do lots of hands-on activities and group work. Please plan to attend school every day, except in cases of illness or emergencies. If your child will be absent, please call Prairie Star at 913-239-7100.

BIRTHDAYS: If you would like to send a treat with your child on or near his/her birthday, please feel free to do so. These treats will be eaten at the end of the day. If your child has a summer birthday, you may send in treats on his/her “half-birthday.”

CONFERENCES are held at the end of the first quarter and midway through third quarter. Watch for information and reply accordingly. I am also available to conference as needed.

DISMISSAL: Dismissal is at 3:40.

EARLY RELEASE DAYS will take place on several Tuesdays throughout the school year. On Early Release Tuesdays, students eat lunch at school and are dismissed at 2:00.

EMAIL is my preferred method of communication because of the quick turn-around. My e-mail address is eeangles@bluevalleyk12.org.

FIELD TRIPS: We will be taking several field trips this year. Details will be announced in our weekly newsletter.

GRADING: Students will be assessed using letter grades this year based on their performance in math, reading, writing, science, and social studies, as well as the special areas (music, art, Spanish, computer, and PE). Students are also assessed on classroom learning behaviors.

HOMEWORK: Weekly homework will consist of reading and math practice. Math worksheets will go home twice a week to be turned in the following day. Reading homework will be collected once a week. A minimum of 20 minutes of nightly reading is also expected.

INDEPENDENCE is a goal for students because it builds self-esteem and self-confidence. Third graders are very capable of doing many things on their own and I encourage them to do as much as they can for themselves in the classroom. Please encourage them to think through and problem-solve in everyday situations.

JOURNALS (or composition books) are used in Writer’s Workshop as the students generate ideas for their writing, create a rough draft, revise, and edit their work. Published pieces are shared with the class.

KEEP INFORMED by reading our newsletter every week and checking my classroom website. I will post my newsletter there weekly. I will e-mail parents the link to our weekly newsletter every Saturday.

LUNCH takes place at 12:05pm. You are more than welcome to join your child and his/her friends for lunch in the cafeteria.

MYSTERY READERS: Would you like to read to the class? Shhhh…keep it a secret and sign up to be a Mystery Reader. Kids love surprises! I will send home available dates – you pick the date(s) that work best for you. These dates will be toward the end of the school year.

NEWSLETTERS will be e-mailed to you every Saturday. The weekly newsletter will tell about the week in review and will give important upcoming dates. In addition, our school-wide newsletter (The Weekly Howl) is now sent via email on Thursdays.

OPEN HOUSE (Back to School Night) will take place on August 22nd. Be on the lookout for more information about opportunities to come and visit our classroom.

P.E. Students must wear sneakers on PE days (Wednesday and Thursday). On non-P.E. days, we go outside for recess, so if your child likes to run or play on the playground equipment, it would be beneficial for them to wear sneakers daily.

QUESTIONS: Instead of asking your child, “What did you do in school today?” ask, “What book did you read during independent reading?” or “What did you learn in math?” or “Tell me what you wrote about during Writing Workshop!” Show that you’re interested, and ask specific questions. Most likely, your child will respond positively and more openly.

REPORT CARDS will be sent home at the end of each quarter. Please see the district calendar for specific dates. Report card envelopes must be signed and returned.

SNACK: Kids need snacks! When healthy snack choices are made, they provide the nutrients and calories kids need for growth, good health and energy to get through the day. Please pack your child a healthy snack to enjoy on a daily basis.

TARDIES: If your child arrives at school after the bell rings, he or she must sign in at the office.

UNIQUE: Each student in my classroom is unique. I will do my best to differentiate instruction to ensure that all children get what they need to be successful in third grade.

VOLUNTEERS and VISITORS are welcome! There are many opportunities for you to be involved in the classroom this year. Be on the lookout for upcoming info. When you arrive at school to volunteer or visit, please register in the office and pick up a badge instead of coming directly to the classroom. This policy is for the safety of your children.

WATER BOTTLES: Please feel free to have your child bring a water bottle to class. Please encourage your child to bring their water bottle home regularly to wash it.

WISH LIST: Post-It Notes in interesting shapes or colors, toys or treats for our Treasure Box, gently used books for our classroom library, gallon Ziploc bags, Ziploc sandwich bags, masking tape, shipping tape, scrapbook paper for published stories, extra tissues, hand sanitizer.

It is EXTRAORDINARILY important for your child to have a successful third grade YEAR. I will do my best to make learning fun and exciting – you can expect a lot of growth in so many different areas. It will seem as if the 2013-2014 school year will ZOOM by!

