Dear Parents and Students,

We will be using Edmodo in our classroom. Edmodo is a safe, online learning platform that is exclusively for education. It is a teacher moderated social network where students can share ideas, discuss topics, and publish work while learning how to communicate safely and effectively online.

**Some things to know about Edmodo**

* Edmodo is NOT public. Only those invited may join the group.
* Students can connect with the instructor and the class as a whole (not individual students).
* Edmodo contains no games or advertisements.
* The instructor can edit or delete any student post.
* There is an iOS and Android App that makes Edmodo accessible through handheld devices.

**Student Guidelines:**

Content

* Edmodo is considered classroom space. Be proud of what you write.
* Posts must be related to teacher prompt or current classroom topic. No “hi” comments.
* Add to the conversation. Compliment another student in a specific way, ask a question or add new information.
* If you are not sure if a word is okay, then it probably isn’t.
* Post a note to the whole group if your question/comment is about something the whole group should know.
* Send a note to the teacher if you have a question/comment that doesn’t relate to the group.

Conventions

* Grammar, spelling, and punctuation are important. No text language allowed.
* Re-read your post and edit before submitting.

Tone

* Be polite, friendly, and encouraging.
* Respect other opinions. If you disagree, use sentence starters such as, I respectfully disagree, you make a good point but I think, I support…

To learn more about Edmodo’s privacy policy <https://bluevalleyk12.edmodo.com/corporate/privacy-policy>

If you have questions or concerns an Edmodo group, please contact your child’s teacher.