Welcome to 5M,

Although it’s hard to wrap up the summer vacation and begin preparing for the new school year, it is very exciting to think about all the great activities that come with being a 5th grader. While it’s hard to predict what this year might look like, I’m sure we’ll make the best of the situation. In just a few days, you will be embarking on a journey through the 5th grade. I am excited to get started and am sure that it will be an enjoyable experience for both of us.

Before we get started, I would like you to kick off your 5th grade experience by purchasing a few supplies. If you cannot get these items by the first day of school, don't be worried – I'm sure we can help you out. You will need:

- Two 1 1/2” Binders (please no zippers or soft covers)
  - The Staples 'better brand' that is reinforced with rubber works best.
- One pack of 100 sheets of three-hole Punched, Reinforced Loose Leaf Paper.
- One pack of Pens (blue/black ink).
- One Pack of Red Pens (erasable, if you'd like).
- One pack of Mechanical Pencils (extra erasers are helpful).
- Replacement Lead for Mechanical Pencil.
- Two Boxes of Tissues.
- Bottle of Hand Sanitizer (to keep in your cubby).
- Headphones

I will provide:
- Colored pencils, scissors, pencil case, erasers, glue and a ruler.

Please do not bring in any sharpeners, crayons, toys or doodads with your supplies!

When you arrive at school on the first day, I will be looking for you outside. When you see me, please don't hesitate to come and introduce yourself - it's a great way to start the year.

To help me out, please send me an email mortong@lmsd.org with your contact information in the message.

It goes without saying that the past year of learning has been anything but ordinary. We’ll spend so much time finding inspiration and fascination with many aspects of life. I have a challenge for you - I want you to think of ways that your learning experience during COVID will help you be a better student. Enjoy the rest of your break.

See you soon,

[Signature]

Mr. Morton