

Third Grade Informational Packet

Naples Classical Academy School Day

Arrival Begins	School Day Begins	School Day Ends
7:30 A.M.	8:00 A.M.	3:00 P.M.

Dismissal Procedures

We will be using PikMyKid for school dismissal. All NCA families should have registered for an account and downloaded the PikMyKid app to their phones.

If you don't want to download the app to your phone, you can create and access your account online from a desktop by going to Parents.PikMyKid.com. However, you will not be able to use the check-in function from your desktop. As long as you have your student's Car Tag at the time of pick up, the school will manually scan the tag allowing your student to be dismissed. Car Tags are available for pick-up at the front office.

You should have received your student's PIN number by school email. If you did not receive it, please send an email requesting a PIN number to info@naplesclassical.org.

Note: The PikMyKid PIN will be the same as your student's MySchoolBucks PIN that will be used for lunch, BASE and other activities.

For more details on the carline dismissal procedure and how to register/use PikMyKid please reference the following:

- [PikMyKid Information](#)
- [Carline Procedures](#)

If you would like information regarding BASE, our before and after school enrichment program, you can find it [here](#).

Classroom Expectations

All students are expected to abide by the NCA standards of virtue. These virtues are listed below.

- **Courage**

I will do the right thing even when it's unpopular or difficult.

- **Courtesy**

I will be polite, use manners, and maintain a positive attitude in all my daily interactions.

- **Honesty**

I will speak with truth and act truthfully with others and myself.

- **Perseverance**

I will be persistent in my efforts despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

- **Self-Government**

I will use self-control in my actions and interactions with others.

- **Service**

I will seek to help others through my words and deeds.

- **Responsibility**

I will do my duty and accept the consequences of my actions.

Class Schedule

Literacy Essentials	8:00-8:20
Literature	8:20-9:00
Co-Curriculars	9:00-9:50
Grammar	9:50-10:30
Literacy Essentials	10:30-10:50
Lunch	10:50-11:10
Recess/Bathroom	11:10-11:20
Math	11:20-12:20
Reading Enrichment	12:20-12:50
History	12:50-1:20
Recess	1:20-1:40
Science	1:40-2:10
Math Enrichment	2:10-2:40
Literacy Essentials	2:40-3:00

Curriculum Overview

For a detailed curriculum guide and pacing information, please review the NCA Third Grade Curriculum Map:

- [3rd Grade Curriculum Map](#)

Homework Policy

Homework is a fundamental part of our general academic program. It prepares scholars for high-level academic study and success upon graduation. It also helps develop a strong work ethic and habits of organization. In third grade, students should expect an average of 30 minutes of homework each evening. This time allotment does not include reading assignments or studying.

In addition to regular classroom assignments, we would like each scholar to read or be read to at least three times a week and preferably every day.

Grading Policy

Grading is not the endpoint of education. The grade a scholar receives in a class is subordinate to the knowledge the scholar acquires. Still, grades are a useful tool to evaluate the extent to which a scholar has mastered a subject. Therefore, grades will be assigned in all subjects. Scholars will receive grades in the following categories:

- Tests (30%)
- Quizzes (40%)
- Participation (20%)
- Homework (10%)

Naples Classical Academy will assign grades to accurately reflect the range between true mastery and insufficient knowledge of a subject. In relation to the scholar's performance, the following letter grades have these meanings:

A:	Mastery
B:	Proficiency
C:	Sufficiency (Competence)
D:	Insufficiency
F:	Failing

The letter and numerical grades for this system are listed below:

A:	90-100%
B:	80-89%
C:	70-79%
D:	60-69%
F:	0-59%

Take-Home Folder and Student Planner

Scholars will receive a school folder to use for important parent/teacher communication. Please plan on checking this folder weekly and returning it with your scholar the following school day. Additionally, all scholars will receive a school planner. This planner will travel between home and school with your child and will help them to manage all assignments, record due dates, and keep track of important school events. As we work to build excellent study habits, this planner will serve as an additional tool for parent/teacher communication. Please review and sign or initial this planner each evening.

Attendance

Regular attendance is important to ensure achievement in school. We discourage vacations and trips taken during the school year. We also discourage doctors' and other appointments when avoidable. When absences are unavoidable, scholars are responsible for any make-up work that they missed. Scholars are provided one school day for each school day absent to make-up work without academic penalty. Assignments that are not made-up will be reflected in the gradebook accordingly.

A scholar is considered tardy if he/she arrives at the classroom after 8:00 am.

For additional information on absences and tardiness, please refer to the [NCA Family Handbook](#).

NOTE: Please contact the attendance office (attendance@naplesclassical.org) when a scholar will be absent for excused reasons.

Uniform Policy

A strong correlation exists between student appearance and the perception of excellence. Students are required to dress and groom themselves in a way that aligns with our philosophy of maintaining a learning environment focused on the development of each student's academic potential, personal character, and leadership skills.

The following documents provide greater detail regarding uniform expectations.

- [Uniform Q&A](#)
- [Uniform Details](#)
- [Uniform Visual Guide](#)

Academic Materials

If you would like to purchase your own copy of the novels we use in Literature class, we have the ISBN numbers available for you. We highly recommend this option for all scholars, especially those who would like to underline or highlight text and dog-ear the pages of their books. These can be helpful habits for novel study.

- [Aladdin](#) Edited by Philip Smith (ISBN 978-0486275710)
- Black Beauty by Anna Sewell (ISBN 978-0440416456)
- [The Princess and the Goblin](#) by George MacDonald (ISBN 978-0679428107)
- [Farmer Boy](#) by Laura Ingalls Wilder (ISBN 978-0064400039)
- The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling (ISBN 978-0141325293)

Classroom Supplies

- [Classroom Amazon Wishlist](#) *This list will be updated throughout the year as needed.

Technology

We use computers to administer District and State mandated assessments at regular intervals throughout the year. For this reason, every scholar must have their own set of headphones (not wireless) to plug into their testing computer. Each pair will be labeled and stored in a Ziploc bag in the classroom.

Snack Policy

Scholars are encouraged to bring water bottles with them to school each day. However, snacks will not be permitted until the end of the day during dismissal. This policy ensures a clean and enjoyable learning environment for all scholars.

Special Events and Parties

It is NCA's policy that parents and visitors may not bring food into the school to share with scholars with two exceptions; a Winter Break party and an End-of-Year party.

The school recognizes that birthdays are a special day for our scholars and encourage parents to join their child for lunch to celebrate the occasion.

Volunteer Opportunities

Knowing that parents are a major influence in their scholars' lives and education, we would love to welcome your support throughout the year. Before volunteering, individuals must complete CCPS Level II Volunteer Screening.

Guidelines for completing this process can be found [here](#).

Please let me know if you are willing to help with classroom activities and events. We are always happy to welcome volunteers!

Also, please consider joining our school's Parent Teacher Coalition (PTC). They provide outstanding support for our school throughout the year. More information can be found on the school website under the Current Families tab.

Family and Scholar Handbook

Please take the time to review this resource before the first day of school. It is a comprehensive overview of everything you need to know about NCA and what to expect during the 2022-2023 academic year. The handbook can be found here:

- [NCA Family Handbook](#)

Teacher Communication

I am excited to partner with you in your scholar's educational journey this school year. I aim to maintain open communication so that we can provide the best learning experience for your child.

If you ever need to contact me, please don't hesitate to send an email. I will respond as soon as I am able, but always within 24 hours. If the matter is urgent, please call the front office.

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