

**Welcome to**



**Parent & Student  
Handbook  
2024-2025**

**Mrs. Wilson  
Room 305**

## Hello Families!

Welcome to 1st Grade! My name is Mrs. Wilson and I will be your child's teacher this year. This is my 6th year teaching at Norterra Canyon. First Grade is such an exciting time in your child's learning. The amount of growth that takes place during this year is incredible and so fun to watch. Our main focus will be on building a strong foundation in literacy and math skills, but there will be exciting opportunities to learn in all content areas! My main goal is to create a positive, safe, fun learning environment for your child and instill a life-long love of learning. Along with your support from home, I can't wait to watch your child thrive! Here's to a fabulous year together!

## Classroom Expectations

We will arrive rested and ready to learn every day!

We will follow classroom and school rules.

We will be respectful of others and be kind and compassionate.

We will keep our hands, feet, and bodies to ourselves.

We will use good manners.

We will do our best.

We will show THE PIRATE WAY!

We will HAVE FUN!



# Communication

Teacher, parent, and student communication is extremely important for a child's success. Each week, there will be a newsletter in your child's folder, as well as emailed out, to keep you updated on all the information you need to know. This will also be where you keep track of your child's homework, and make any notes for me to see.

Please feel free to reach out to me any time, communication is key. If you have any questions or concerns, the best way to contact me is through email. I will do my best to get back to you within 24 hours.

Email: [becky.wilson@dvusd.org](mailto:becky.wilson@dvusd.org)



In addition to communication from the classroom, please make sure that you are receiving and reading all school communication. Mrs. Milks will send out a weekly S'Mores newsletter that will contain important information about what is happening at Norterra. You can also stay connected to Norterra Canyon through our school Facebook Page and PTSA page.

## Pirate Folder



Your child will have a Norterra Canyon pirate folder to take home each night and return to school the next day. Please check it daily. There will be your child's work, newsletters, important notices, field trip permission slips, and homework in the folder. The left side is "leave at home" paperwork, and the right side is "return to school".

## Specials & Library Schedule

The Specials schedule will be on a weekly basis, so your child will have the same Special for 1 week. Specials offered at Norterra Canyon are Art, Music, and PE.

Library is once a week. Our Library Day is Wednesday.

## Daily Schedule

8:00 ~ Gates open, students can begin arriving at school

8:15 ~ Reading and Writing Block

10:10 ~ RTI

10:55 - 11:35 ~ Lunch/Recess

11:35 ~ Math

12:45 - 1:30 ~ Specials

1:30 ~ Afternoon Recess/Snack Time

1:45 - 2:15 ~ Social Studies

2:15 - 2:45 ~ Science

2:45 ~ Pack up/Clean up

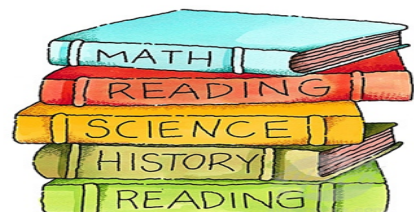
2:55 ~ Dismissal

## Homework

Homework is a valuable tool in helping students make the most of their experiences in school. Homework helps reinforce what has been learned in class, prepares students for upcoming lessons, teaches responsibility and helps students develop positive study habits.

The goal is for every student to read 20 minutes of home reading every night. While homework is important, it should not be a source of frustration for your child. If it is overly challenging for your child, please contact me and we will work out a solution together.

Most weeks, homework will include a nightly math assignment, decodable book, and a fluency passage. You will need to look over the homework, make sure it is done accurately and in pencil, and initial the homework sheet. All math assignments are due the following day. At certain times throughout the year, special projects may be assigned in addition to the regular homework.





## Odds N Ends

**Birthdays:** If your child would like to celebrate their birthday at school, you may send in store bought treats or order a Birthday Party Bucket from the cafeteria using this link: <https://www.dvusd.org/Page/65635>. Please contact me prior for details on timing, current number of students, and any classroom allergies. Treats that contain nuts are not allowed at any time.

**Water Bottles:** Please send your child with a full water bottle daily. *Juice, sodas, or colored water are not allowed in the classroom.*

**Snack:** We will have a snack recess in the afternoon. Please provide your child with a healthy, nut-free snack to eat at this time.

**Volunteers:** We are so excited to have parent volunteers join us again for this school year! We will begin having volunteers in the classroom in September, so please let me know if you would like to volunteer and when you will be available. You must have taken the District Volunteer Training in order to volunteer in the classroom or chaperone a field trip.

