2025-2026

SIXTH GRADE AT MES

W E L C O M E

Hello, sixth grade families! It is a pleasure to welcome you and your child to sixth grade at MES. One of the most special parts of sixth grade at MES is the opportunity for students to have three teachers (one for each subject). This helps prepare students for the middle school model.

Math: Mrs. D'Auteuil
Science: Ms. Hanratty
English Language Arts (ELA): Mrs. Haddad
Social Studies: Ms. Uccello

HOMEROOM

Every sixth grader has been assigned a homeroom teacher. Their homeroom class will be their check-in location each morning for attendance, lunch count, and announcements. Students will also be in their homeroom for Tier and Silent Sustained Reading. Every Thursday, blue folders will be sent home with important school communication.

SIXTH GRADE SCHEDULE

8:15-8:40: Homeroom
8:45-9:10: Tier
9:10-9:20: SSR/Snack
9:25-10:05: Essential Arts
10:10-11:00: Block
11:00-11:50: Block
11:55-12:25: Lunch
12:30-1:20: Block
1:20-2:10: Block
2:10-2:30: Homeroom/Agendas/Pack Up
2:30-3:00: Recess

HOMEWORK

Monday-Thursday, students will be asked to complete the following for homework (according to the MES handbook):

- Up to 1 hour of subject-based assignments (it is strongly encouraged for students to not spend any more time on academic work each night, students will be encouraged to self-advocate and let their teacher(s) know if a particular assignment requires more time)
- At least 20 minutes of pleasure-reading

G R A D I N G

100 – 97 A+

96 – 93 A

92 – 90 A-

89 – 87 B+

86 – 83 B

82 – 80 B-

79 – 77 C+

76 – 73 C

72 – 70 C-

69 – 67 D+

66 – 63 D

62 – 60 D-

59 and lower F

SIXTH GRADE EVENTS

- **October:** Sixth Grade Haunted House
- **December:** Winter & Holiday Party
- **April:** RHAM Tours
- **June:** Sixth Grade Carnival & Promotion Ceremony

The largest event in sixth grade is the carnival in June. We will be fundraising for this event all year long. The first fundraiser will be the Sixth Grade Haunted House on Friday, October 25th (with a rain date of Saturday, October 26th). We will continue to communicate about these fundraisers throughout the school year. Your support will be greatly appreciated as we plan for this fun end-of-year event!

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

In sixth grade, we support the whole-school approach to positive behavior intervention supports (or PBIS). During the first week of school, students visited stations in which school-wide positive behavioral expectations were reviewed within the hallway, bathroom, cafeteria, classroom, etc. These include:

- Be a leader and role model for younger students
- Help/respect school, classmates, and teachers
- Treat others how you would like to be treated
- Be optimistic and encourage yourself/others to do their best
- Stay on-task in class, listen to and follow directions, and participate meaningfully and respectfully
- Stand up for and support each other and respect others' personal space, boundaries, and privacy

TECHNOLOGY IN SIXTH GRADE

- Chargers and Chromebooks all go home and are to come to class charged each day
- According to our school handbook, “Improper use of these devices [phones, smart watches, etc.] will result in confiscation and will be returned only to the parents/guardians.”

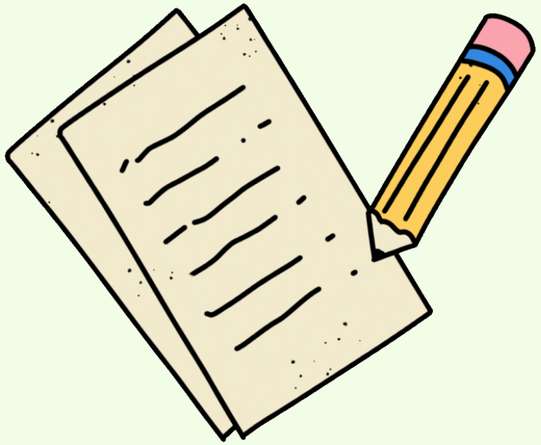
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA)



Teacher: Mrs. Haddad

Students will be expected to read at least one book per unit to ensure both breadth and depth of literary experience. Each unit will feature a curated selection of titles that align with the unit's theme, genre focus, and skill objectives.

Over the course of the school year, students will produce a range of writing pieces to build versatility and confidence as writers. They will complete three major, standards-based compositions: narrative, an argument essay, and an expository essay, as well as freewriting each Friday.



TEACHER:
MRS. D'AUTEUIL

6TH GRADE MATH

Throughout the course of the year, students will utilize their Math Notebooks each day to complete a problem of the day. Practicing skills and problem-solving will continue throughout the year. They will also keep examples and materials that relate to each topic

EFFORT
xis key
to success.
It's okay to make mistakes, it helps us learn!

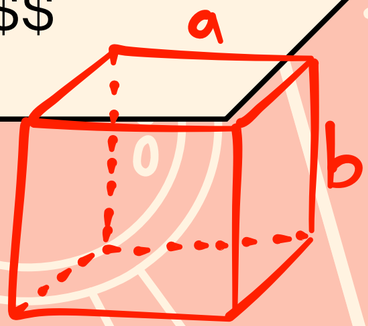
Reflex and Prodigy are two computer programs to help with fact fluency and problem solving. Access to EnVision Math

Math Units

This year, math will consist of 8 Units which includes:

- Use Positive Rational Numbers
- Integers and Rational Numbers
- Numeric and Algebraic Expressions
- Represent and Solve Equations and Inequalities
- Understand and Use Ratio and Rate
- Understand and Use Percent
- Solve Area, Surface Area, and Volume Problems
- Display, Describe, and Summarize Data

++Plus $$ Finicial Literacy$$



Social Studies

With Ms. Uccello



Students will explore:

- culture, geography, and globalization of world regions
- systems of governance and world organizations
- economic decision-making and exchanges

Students will:

- think critically
- develop inquiry-based learning skills
- make real-world connections
- collaborate with others

SCIENCE

Teacher: Ms. Hanratty

SCIENCE OVERVIEW

- Thinking like scientists!
- Curriculum: Mosa Mack & supplemental materials based on the NGSS Standards
- Units:
  - States of Matter
  - Forces and Motion, Waves and Energy
  - Atoms and Molecules
  - Cells
  - Interactions of Body Systems
  - Genetic Variation
  - Earth's Systems & Human Activities
- Engineering and Design integration in each unit

SCIENCE GRADING BREAKDOWN

Lab Reports/Investigations: 30%

Tests/Quizzes: 30%

Homework/Classwork: 20%

Science Notebook: 10%

Participation: 10%

See the Science Parent Info Sheet below for more information!