



## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

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Conference Period: 7:40 8:30

### Grade Level Resources:

- I-Station – Reading and Math available to students through our [Single Sign-on Portal \(SSO\)](#).
- ST Math - available to students through our [Single Sign-on Portal \(SSO\)](#).
- TEAMS – All subjects available to students through our [Single Sign-on Portal \(SSO\)](#).
- Grading guidelines - [EMS ISD Grading and Reporting Handbook](#).

### Grade Level Goals:

Students who complete this course successfully will be able to:

- Reading: Readers will be able to analyze and comprehend grade-level texts and increase comprehension skills to deepen understanding.
- Writing: Writers will be able to compose effective essays using proper sentences and paragraph structure.
- Math: Mathematicians will be able to reason, problem solve, analyze, and make real-world connections.
- Science: Scientists will be able to gather and use research data and ask questions to gain and share knowledge.
- Social Studies: Historians will understand the history of US History that shaped our country.

### Student Evaluation:

The grading system for grade level (5) is as follows:

- 40% daily assignments (formative) and 60% summative assessments
- Homework does not need to be graded; however, it should be reviewed for understanding. At teacher discretion, homework may count for a maximum of 10% of the 40% daily assignment weighting.
- A minimum of one daily grade per week should be recorded per core content area. At teacher discretion, there may be a greater number of daily grades.
- A minimum of one summative assessment grade per three weeks per content area must be recorded.
- Grades recorded should be reflective of a student's mastery of the TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) taught during that grading period.
- Official grades will be in Skyward only and can be accessed by student and parent through Family Access.

Assignments, exams, expectations outside of the classroom:

- Students are encouraged to read Independently for 20-30 minutes (minimum)/night
- After reading, students write a reading reflection showing their understanding of what they read.

- Students are encouraged to practice Math at home, including multiplication. ST Math and iStation are great resources to use at home. The newsletter has links to virtual manipulatives that students can use and explore. There are also games associated with some of those links.
- In all subjects, all exams will be done during class time and some assignments can be finished at home.

#### Attendance/Tardy Policy/Make-Up Work:

- Absences: Regular school attendance is essential for a student to make the most of his or her education—to benefit from teacher-led and school activities, to build each day's learning on the previous days, and to grow as an individual. Absences from class may result in serious disruption of a student's mastery of the instructional materials; therefore, the student and parent should make every effort to avoid unnecessary absences.
- Tardy: A student will be considered tardy or late if they are not in his or her classroom when the 7:30 am tardy bell rings.
- Make-Up Work: Make-up work is the responsibility of the student who has an absence. The student must check with the teacher regarding make-up work on the day he/she returns to class. Students shall have equal time to days absent from class plus one day to complete all missed assignments. We will do our best to give students class time.

#### Classroom Expectations:

- Students are expected to be respectful to peers and adults in all areas of the school day. Classroom participation is highly encouraged to be successful. Students will work independently, in pairs, and in groups. Students will be provided with ample time to complete classwork during the school day. If students do not use time wisely, they will be asked to complete it at home. All exams and graded assignments will be done in class.
- Snacks – We ask that you please send dry and clean snacks for the classroom snacks, as students will be working