

Student Name and ID#: _____

5th grade Student Courses for 2017/18 school year

Dear Parent & Student:

This letter outlines some information about the courses for 5th graders next school year. Please take time to read this carefully and mark your selections below. Most selections will be fulfilled but not guaranteed. If requests exceed the allowable class size, adjustments will be made by the school administration. Selections will be made by the administration for any student not returning his or her form. If you have questions, please call the school office at 910-347-2738.

Elective Courses: (Please see reverse side for course descriptions.)

Exploratory Choice #1 _____

Exploratory Choice #2 _____

Exploratory Choice #3 _____

Exploratory Choice #4 _____

Alternate Course Selection _____

All 5th grade students will be assigned to the following classes: Homeroom, English/Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies. They can also have a semester of Health/Physical Education.

Parent Name (please print): _____

Daytime phone #: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

COURSE SELECTIONS—in addition to Health/PE:

5TH MUSIC

Music Makers is a class geared toward creating music on a variety of traditional and non-traditional instruments as well as singing. Students will learn about the ingredients of making music – rhythm, melody, harmony, form, and notation. Students will also learn about expression, articulation, and styles of music from various cultures, genres, and historical time periods.

5TH GRADE OUR GLOBAL VILLAGE

In this course, students will learn about cultures around the world by exploring the environment, societies, technology, the arts, and service. They will develop cultural awareness; strive to understand the interconnection of global issues; and use problem solving, critical thinking, and communication skills to achieve a better understanding of the world.

5TH GRADE KEYBOARDING

Students will use a variety of activities to learn to use proper basic keyboarding techniques.

5TH GRADE VISUAL ARTS

Students will explore a variety of art mediums. Topics generally include basic drawing skills (textures, shading, light source, still life, etc.), color wheel designs, clay pinch pots, one-point perspective, printmaking, and quilling. Students will discover art works and facts about various artists as well as exploring careers in the art field. Each class begins with daily drawing prompts followed by instruction and studio time.

5TH GRADE LIBRARY-INFORMATIONAL STUDIES

Informational studies is an inquiry based elective where students will learn research and digital literacy skills, using Common Sense Media, to develop a safe and effective quest for knowledge and information in and out of the classroom. Students can learn to code, produce videos, and use other technologies while working on projects they find inspiring.