

# Welcome to 5th Grade!!



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*Mrs. Needler*

*Mrs. Singleton*

# PURDUE



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*Mrs. Briggs*

*Ms. Maldonado*

*Mrs. Trinh*

# Communication

## How do I communicate with my 5th grader's teachers?

Best way to communicate with your student's teacher is through their district email.

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# Being Prepared

## What does my 5th grader need for classes?

- ❖ **CHARGED Device** - Bring laptops to school **fully charged** each day. Technology is integrated into lessons in every class. Students will use Canvas and Office 365 extensively, as well as many other tech applications.
- ❖ **Pencil Bag** – at least 2 pencils, scissors, glue, colored pencils, pen, pencil sharpener, highlighter
- ❖ **Yellow Team Folder** – notes from school, graded papers

Backpacks stay in lockers during the day. Your child may bring a cinch bag or a laptop bag/case to carry their device and supplies during the school day.

# Skyward/Grades

## Do I check Skyward or does my 5th grader check Skyward?

- ❖ Parents and Students need to check Skyward weekly.
- ❖ Please make sure your child knows how to login to Skyward and check their grades.
- ❖ For grades below a 70, students have 3 days to correct for up to a 70.
- ❖ A student will be responsible for obtaining and completing make-up work from absences. A student who does not make-up assigned work within the time allotted will receive a grade of zero for the assignment.

# Class Dojo

## What is Class Dojo?

- ❖ No paper conduct cards this year.
- ❖ Conduct will be done through Class Dojo.
- ❖ Make sure you sign up for each class.
- ❖ The "Needs Improvement" categories are consistent throughout the middle schools. (talking, not following directions, disrespectful, off-task)
- ❖ Conduct grade is given per teacher on the report card.
  - Excellent(E) - 0-9
  - Satisfactory(S) - 10-27
  - Needs Improvement(N) - 28-45
  - Unsatisfactory(U) - 46+
- ❖ Please check regularly!

# TPSP

## What is TPSP?

**Texas Performance Standards Project: TPSP enhances the gifted student**

- ❖ Researching - 5th Grade students will learn how to research using IIM (Independent Investigation Method), a 7-step process that takes the student from topic selection to final presentation of their findings**
- ❖ Writing a Research Paper - 5th Grade students will write a research paper in MLA format on Office365**
- ❖ Completing a product with a presentation.**

# Canvas

## How will Canvas be used this school year?

- ❖ Canvas contains content and assignments from your child's teacher.
- ❖ Some assignments need to be completed through Canvas.
- ❖ Canvas grades are not final grades. Skyward grades are the official grades.
- ❖ Students can communicate with teachers through Inbox in Canvas.
- ❖ Parents will use the district email to contact teachers.

**Canvas Parent Pairing:** <https://www.pearlandisd.org/Page/26523>

# Soft Skills / ECC

## What are soft skills and ECC?

- ❖ Twice a year, students will participate in Soft Skills, or social-emotional learning skills. Soft skills classes will focus on Executive Functioning (skills necessary to get complex tasks done well) and group dynamics.
- ❖ Explore / Connect / Create courses allow students to pursue a particular area of interest or learn a new skill. Frequently, ECC courses include off-campus field experiences. Example courses include: horticulture, anatomy, sewing, genetics, and photography.