

Dear Parent/Guardian(s):

Welcome to Mrs. Hudson-Coolie's 6th grade ELA and Social Studies class.

I hope you all had an amazing restful summer and are ready for the new school year. I am excited about teaching your child and I look forward to building our family of community learners. I would like to become more acquainted with you and your child as we work together to make the best year possible.

One thing that I highly encourage is communication between home and school. Our dialogue is significant, so feel free to send a note with your child at any time throughout the school year. Notes may be about: bus changes, parent pick-ups, or if your child will be out from school. Also, you may call Thunderbird Academy's front office for an appointment if you need to set a meeting about any concerns you may have regarding your child. Students will be given monthly event calendars, and parent letters from our school with updated news when necessary.

Since your child is now a part of Thunderbird Academy it's important for you to get familiar with the parent/student handbook and procedures.

It is essential that your child stays organized, by keeping up with their work each day, completing all in-class assignments and any homework assigned. Assignments are given daily so, your child will have homework Monday-Thursday. There will also be outside projects, and they may need your support to complete these projects. In addition, there will be some oral presentations throughout the year. These consist of power points, poster projects, oral reports, research projects, and displaying dioramas about what they are studying. Most importantly, your child needs to read each night to help increase their reading level for the year.

Lastly, please reassure your child to ask questions in class so they can better understand concepts they are learning or any clarification on any assignments. Encourage your child to apply their best learning skills as the school provides a safe learning environment. Together we can make this year an enjoyable learning experience.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Hudson-Coolie