

# Academic Expectations

## Assignments:

- Please review graded assignments that come home in the Friday Folder and in the daily folder. Go over missed problems together. Please sign and return the third grade assignment policy. Grades found in these folders partially reflect what letter grade your child is earning.

## Homework:

- A homework schedule will be provided in my weekly newsletter, "*Leaping Literature*". Homework is due when the students arrive to school in the morning. Homework that is late or not turned in will result in a "0". In addition to written homework, students are required to read for at least 30 minutes an evening in order to grow as a reader and meet his/her reading goal. Reading logs and fluency passages will be sent home each Monday and are due, signed by a parent, the following Monday. Please look in the assignment notebook for any change in the newsletter's homework schedule.

## Midterms:

- I will send home midterms for the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grading periods. Conferences will be scheduled for the first grading period.



# Lawrence Township's Grading Scale



A+	98-100%
A	93-97%
A-	90-92%
B+	87-89%
B	83-86%
B-	80-82%
C+	77-79%
C	73-76%
C-	70-72%
D+	67-69%
D	63-66%
D-	60-62%
F	59-0%

# Science and Social Studies Projects

## Year-Long Focus:

- Community is a group of equally important members working together to achieve common goals.

## "Swimming In a Tadpole":

- Concept: A relationship is a connection between two or more things.
- Topics: Lifelong Guidelines, Lifeskills, Healthy Bodies, The Body, Choices

## "Exploring Our Environment":

- Concept: Interdependence is when things are connected and depend on one another.
- Topics: Citizenship, Community History, Government, Our Community Today, Water, Economics

## "Meeting Others in the Pond and Beyond":

- Concept: Classification is when living and non-living things are grouped together because of their characteristics that are alike.
- Topics: Ecosystems, Food Chains, Threatened/ Endangered/ Extinct Animals, Classifications of Vertebrates

## "Hopping Out a Frog":

- Concept: A system is a set of things with parts that work together. Often in a system one part cannot work without the others.
- Topics: Inventions, Space

# Ways We Can Communicate

- Please feel free to call me at 964-4033.
- Email me at [jenniferselm@msdlt.k12.in.us](mailto:jenniferselm@msdlt.k12.in.us)
- Assignment Notebooks (student planner)
- Daily Folder – Any unfinished work must be taken home and completed. It should be returned the following morning. Check this folder daily for any graded papers, community information or work that needs to be completed.
- Friday Folder – Please sign and return the following school day.
- Notes/Phone calls - Please provide me with a number and time of day that works best for reaching you. Please fill out the note card tonight so that I will have that information.
- We have daily community circles where information can be discussed. Your child is responsible for sharing important information with you as needed.
- Please read my weekly newsletter, "Leaping Literature". I keep the format the same. This newsletter will also be available online as well. I will let you know when I have that available.
- Our classroom website - Please visit student online portfolios as the year continues. I will let you know when new information is posted. You can get to our classroom site by visiting:

<https://amybeverland.itschools.org/>

Click "Academics"

Click "Classroom Connections"

Choose "Mrs. Selm's Classroom Links"