

XCS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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Xenia Preschool

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Principal: Jennifer Statzer

2018-2019 IMPORTANT DATES

August 16.....Open House
August 20First day for students
September 3.....Labor Day – No School
September 20.....Interim Reports home
September 21....Teachers' Work Day –
No School
October 18.....End of 1st Grading Period
October 19.....Teachers' Work Day –
No School
November 16.....Interim Reports home
November 19.....K-12 Parent-Teacher
Conference Day –
No School
Nov. 20-23.....Thanksgiving Break –
No School
December 21....End of 2nd Grading Period
Dec. 24-Jan. 4...Winter Break – No School
January 7.....Return from Winter Break
January 21.....Dr. M.L. King Day –
No School
February 1.....Teachers' Work Day –
No School
February 14.....Interim Reports home
February 15.....Teachers' Work Day –
No School (XHS in Session)
February 18.....Presidents' Day – No School
March 22.....End of 3rd Grading Period
March 25-29.....Spring Break – No School
April 19.....Good Friday—No School
May 3.....Interim Reports Go home
May 17.....Teachers' Work Day –
No School
May 23.....Last Day for Seniors
May 29.....High School Graduation
May 30.....End of 4th Grading Period –
Students' Last Day of School
May 31.....Teacher Work Day



A Family Guide To Student Success 3rd Grade

This guide provides an overview of important information to help you and your child have a successful Third Grade year!*



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ACADEMIC STANDARDS set clear and consistent expectations for students, parents, and teachers; build your child's knowledge and skills; and set high goals for all students. This guide includes...

- Key things your child will learn in English/Literacy and Mathematics
- Suggestions for you to help your child
- Topics to discuss with your child's teacher

HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILD BE SUCCESSFUL IN THIRD GRADE?

- Invite your child to read his/her writing out loud to you and other family members.
- Discuss your family stories and history. Encourage your child to ask relatives questions about their lives. Tell family stories as poems or short stories.
- Discuss the way actors bring words to life in their performances.
- Share real-life math experiences with decimals – e.g., balancing a checkbook.

GET INVOLVED AT SCHOOL by volunteering, attending PTO meetings and family night events, and talking to your child's teacher about ways you can help!

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION WHEN TALKING TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER:

- Reading grade-level text with understanding and fluency.
- Writing and speaking well following rules of punctuation and grammar.
- Multiplication and division facts to 10 x 10.
- Fractions.
- Ask to see samples of your child's work.

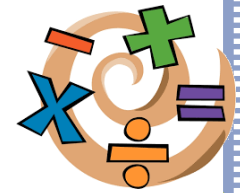


ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS & LITERACY

Third grade is a pivotal year for your child. Learning to read with fluency and confidence will serve as a foundation for the reading demands in later grades. By the end of the year, your child will also be writing clear sentences and paragraphs on a range of topics, drawing on an expanding vocabulary.

A SAMPLE OF WHAT YOUR CHILD WILL LEARN...

- Reading closely to find main ideas and supporting details in a text.
- Describing the connection between sentences and paragraphs in stories (e.g., first, second, third; cause and effect).
- Comparing important points and key details from two texts on the same topic.
- Writing opinions or explanations that group related information and develop topics with facts and details.
- Writing stories that establish a situation and include details and clear sequences of events that describe the actions, thoughts, and feelings of characters.
- Independently conducting short research projects.
- Reading stories and poems aloud fluently, without pausing to figure out what each word means.
- Spelling correctly and using dictionaries to clarify meanings of words.



MATHEMATICS

The most important topics in 3rd grade are multiplication, division, and fractions. These topics are the building blocks for many life-skills students will learn in later grades.

A SAMPLE OF WHAT YOUR CHILD WILL LEARN...

- Multiplying and dividing up to 10 x 10 quickly and accurately, including knowing the times tables from memory.
- Solving multiple-step word problems using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- Beginning to multiply numbers with more than one digit (e.g., 9 x 81).
- Understanding fractions and relating them to whole numbers (e.g., 3/1 and 3 are the same number).
- Reasoning about shapes (e.g., all squares are rectangles but not all rectangles are squares).
- Finding perimeters and areas of shapes and relating area to multiplication.

TECHNOLOGY – To build keyboarding, research, and design skills and to prepare our students for STEM opportunities at Warner Middle School, our students receive instruction in weekly Digital Literacy (DL) classes throughout the school year. Topics addressed in DL classes include Creativity and Innovation, Communication and Collaboration, Research and Information Fluency, Critical Thinking/Problem Solving/Decision Making, Digital Citizenship, and Technology Operations and Concepts. Students use Chrome Books and related technology to complete class assignments in all subject and content areas. In addition, students learn to create original works, use software programs for problem solving and decision making, and program "robots" using kid-friendly block code.

