

## Ensuring Learning Opportunities for ALL Students in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

I am delighted that your child is in my class this year. We can all look forward to many exciting and rewarding experiences as the year progresses. Your child (and ALL of the children in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade) deserves the most positive and safe environment for academic growth. To help ensure that all students receive the learning opportunities that they deserve, there are classroom expectations that the students are expected to know, understand, and follow. The classroom discipline plan will be in effect at all times. There is also a school wide policy that will be utilized throughout the day. In addition, students will have the opportunity to attend several special classes during each day and these teachers may possibly have their own plans for students to follow. Nevertheless, because most of the school day will be spent in our classroom, students should be very comfortable and fluent with our classroom expectations and consequences.

### Student Expectations

1. Students are expected to follow directions quickly
2. Students are expected to respect people and things
3. Students are expected to make smart choices
4. Students are expected to never be hurtful (with words or bodies)
5. Students are expected to participate in learning and try their best
6. Students are expected to raise their hand to talk or leave their seat

There may be situations in which a child chooses to behave in a way that severely disrupts the class, endangers others or themselves, or shows profound disrespect. In these instances, the student will be sent immediately to the office and parents will be called.

### Classroom Economy

Second grade students are expected to have mastered money by the end of the year so this is a great way for us to meet that standard. Each day students will receive an agreed upon amount of money to begin the day if they arrive on time. From that point in the day on, students will have an opportunity to earn money while they are making good choices or owe money if they are choosing to not follow one of the expectations. On Fridays, each student will meet with the teacher to count and trade in their money (to the least amount of coins). The last thing we will do on Friday afternoons will be Friday Fun Day and the student who has the most money will get to choose their activity first.

\*\*Note: if you get some coins at home that have a pink dot of fingernail polish on them, they belong to our classroom economy so just send them back with your child 😊