

# Lake Myra Elementary Year Round School (Track 4)

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## Family-School Compact Grade 3

### WCPSS Goals

Increase Achievement  
Inspire Leaders  
Impact Lives

### Lake Myra Instructional Overview

#### Daily Learning Includes:

- The 7 Habits-The Leader In Me
- Bloom's Taxonomy and Marzano's Dimensions of Thinking
- Technology Integrated
- Interventions and Digging Deeper Assessments for students below benchmark

#### Literacy:

- Classroom Leveled Libraries
- Writer's Workshop Framework
- Reader's Workshop-Guided Reading, Learning Stations, Letterland Phonological Awareness/ Phonics-K-2,
- Vocabulary Notebooks-Content

#### Math

- Problem Solving Emphasis using calculators and manipulatives regularly
- Math Talk
- Math Workshop and Stations
- 8 Mathematical Practices

### In The Classroom

#### As your child's teacher I promise to...

Provide motivating and research based best practices to teach all students.

Provide open communication (folders, conferences, phone calls, emails, and notes)

Provide materials that are relevant, interesting and motivating.

Help parents understand instructional practices, class expectations and grading policies.

Provide a safe, welcoming environment that promotes learning and encourages a partnership with the school.

Provide workshops, newsletters, and information that allow parents to learn how to help their students.

#### Students: As a student, I promise to...

Complete all classwork and homework assignments using my best effort.

Read nightly and discuss what I read with my parents.

Participate in activities that help me learn at home and school. Ask questions if I need help and help others when I can. Be responsible with materials and equipment. Take responsibility for my actions and behavior each day.

Show leadership by making good choices and doing what is right.

#### At Home: As a parent I promise to ...

Schedule a time to complete school related assignments.

Talk with my child daily about his or her school experiences.

Attend conferences, meetings and activities at the school.

Help my child understand and follow SWIM expectations.

Talk about and learn about the 7 Habits to encourage Leadership.

## In the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade your child will be learning:

- Reading closely to find main ideas and supporting details in a story
- Describing the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in stories
- Writing opinions or explanations that group related information
- Independently conducting short research projects about various topics
- Asking and answering questions about information
- Reading stories and poems aloud fluently
- Spelling correctly and consulting dictionaries to clarify meanings of words
- Multiplying and dividing within 100 quickly and accurately using strategies
- Multiplying one digit number by multiples of 10 (ex.  $9 \times 70$ ) using strategies based on place value understandings
- Solving multiplication and division word problems within 100 using drawings and strategies
- Solving addition and subtraction problems within 1,000 using strategies and algorithms; including word problems
- Understanding fractions and placing them on a number line
- Compare fractions by reasoning about their size
- Measuring and estimating weights and liquid volumes, and solving word problems involving these
- Finding areas of shapes, and relating area to multiplication

## What is a Family-School Compact?

A Family-School Compact is an agreement between parents, students and staff. It explains how families and staff members will work together to make sure all students get the support they need to reach grade level standards.

## Preparing All Leaders for Their Future

### Here are some activities you can do with your child to support Language Arts learning at home:

- Make reading for fun part of your child's daily routine. Set aside quiet time with no phones, computers, or other distractions, when your child can read for pleasure.
- Encourage your child to find a picture from a newspaper or magazine, cut it out, paste it on paper, and write a story about it.
- Start a family vocabulary box or jar. Have everyone write down new words they discover, add them to the box, and use the words in conversation and writing.

### Here are some activities you can do with your child to support Math learning at home: Notice those everyday occasions when you find yourself using your times tables, such as to determine how many days there are in four weeks. Ask your child the answer.

- Involve your child when you notice yourself using division to "work backward" in the times tables – such as determining how many candies each child will get if 36 candies are shared equally among nine children at a party.
- Help your child compare two fractions by reasoning about their size. (Ex.  $\frac{1}{2}$  is larger than  $\frac{1}{3}$  because...).
- Create word problems involving multiplication, division, addition, and subtraction. Then solve.

**\*\*Always follow up with questions "How do you know?" and "Can you prove your answer?"**

## Activities to Build Partnerships

A "Leader In Me" School  
Grade Level Performances  
Read Across America Week  
(March)

Purple Thursdays  
Fun Run Challenge  
PAC Meetings (Parent  
Nights)  
Family Nights  
ROMP Chorus  
Recorder Ninjas  
First In Fitness  
Talent Show  
Special Olympics  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade "SWIM UP"  
Celebration  
Leadership Day

## Communication: Student Learning

Lake Myra is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect to communicate with us are:

- Daily/Weekly Folders (depending on grade level)
- Notes From The Teacher (written and email)
- Phone Calls
- Lake Myra Website/Classroom Website
- Interim Reports
- MClass Parent Reports for Literacy
- Report Cards (Quarterly)
- Informal and Formal Parent Conferences
- Student Led Conferences

## Working Together "At The Lake"

Parents, students and staff are committed to working together so the Family-School Compact is a working document. It will be posted on the Lake Myra website. Parents are encouraged to make comments and /or offer suggestions throughout the year. The compact will be shared and reviewed yearly based on feedback and collaboration.