



Will Carleton Academy

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Dear Sixth Grade Parents,

My name is Teresa Bonifield. I am excited to be your student's sixth grade teacher this year. This is my eighth year at Will Carleton Academy and my twenty-sixth year working in education. I place great value in students, parents and teachers working as partners in education. My classroom goal has always been to create joyful learners. Sixth grade is a pivotal year for your child as he or she will be working towards self-discipline, accountability and independence in the classroom as well as homework.

The curriculum for sixth grade is extensive. We will have to keep up a steady pace to complete all that is expected in the school year. Having high expectations for students' behavior will help in that process. I will do my best to teach creatively, for mastery and to encourage enthusiasm.

Students are expected to come to school on time, with books and supplies needed and ready to learn. They are expected to strive for core virtues of honesty, integrity, perseverance, compassion and respect. Assignments are expected to be completed to the best of their ability and in a timely manner. Students are encouraged to display polite and courteous behavior towards other students and staff. Will Carleton Academy students' goal is to become self-disciplined, self-motivated and have internal controls.

Professionally, I received my Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Education from Spring Arbor University, continued education through Western Michigan University, and participate in educational conferences, as teachers are lifelong learners.

I look forward to meeting you. I welcome visitors to our classroom. It gives the students a chance to practice their manners and show what they've been learning. I'm looking forward to a great year!

Sincerely,

Teresa Bonifield

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Supply List

Sixth Grade

- A plain backpack or book bag
- 2 boxes of tissues for the classroom (replenish as needed)
- A box of bandages
- A box of plastic spoons for lunches
- 1 large bottle of school glue
- 1 box of crayons
- 12 #2 pencils (replenish as needed)
- 1 pair scissors
- 1 ruler (inches and centimeters)
- 1 package colored pencils
- 2 highlighters
- A package of 3 x 5 index cards
- 5 plain pocketed folders
- 1 pair of P.E. shoes
- 2 red correcting pens
- *Tissues, spoons, folders and bandages will be collected and stored in the classroom for collective use. Students will be responsible for other items. Additional items will be requested as needed.*

Please do not include

- Mechanical pencils
- Pens (except for the red correcting pens)
- Individual pencil sharpeners

***Note:** Please label all personal items brought to school. Example: sweaters, coats, snow pants, boots, lunch boxes, etc.

***All items should be plain and not display pop culture images**

***No additional items should be brought to school. Unnecessary items will be sent home.**