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3RD  
GRADE

Ms. George's Class

# MEET THE TEACHER

## About Me

Hello! My name is Ms. George and I'd like to welcome you and your child to third grade! I'm very excited about this school year. I am eager to work with your child, and I hope to make their third grade experience exciting, positive, and rewarding. I am looking forward to getting to know you and your child. First, I will tell you a few things about me.

I moved to Columbia from a small town called California, Missouri. I moved to Columbia to attend the University of Missouri. Go Tigers! I spent four years in college and received my Elementary Education degree. I also finished my Master's degree from Mizzou as a Fellow. This is my third year teaching third grade at Cedar Hill. I previously taught third grade at Hallsville for five years and am so excited to be teaching third grade again this year!

My family still lives in California, Missouri and I get to visit them often. I have one brother, one sister, Mom, and Dad. I have two nieces and one nephew. Their names are Hadleigh, Lyla, and Casen. I love to spend time with them! My family loves to get together for dinner and go on vacation in the summer.

My hobbies include reading, baking, crafting, traveling, and lounging by the pool. I love to bake for my family and friends, and I like to eat those goodies too! 😊 My favorite hobby is to read in my free time. My favorite book is [The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Lessmore](#) by William Joyce. I hope to share many of my favorites with you this year!

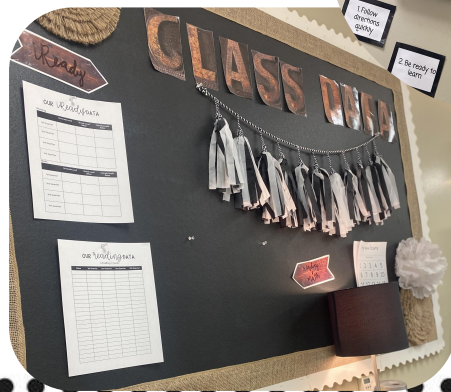
I am looking forward to this school year and establishing a positive relationship with your child. I hope the transition into third grade is an easy one; I want your child to have a fun and successful year!



# OUR CLASSROOM



Click to take a tour of our classroom!



# DAILY SCHEDULE

7:15-7:45 Arrival to classroom

7:45-8:00 Class Meeting

8:00-9:50 Reading Workshop

9:50-10:30 Specials

10:30-12:00 Math

12:00-12:25 Lunch

12:25-12:45 Recess

12:45-1:45 Writing

1:45-2:10 Science/Social Studies

2:10-2:25 Recess

2:25 Dismissal

# ACADEMICS

## READING

This year students will deepen their comprehension skills. Some of the biggest changes in the reading we will work on include:

Transition from learning to read to reading to learn

Transition from reading a story to understanding what you are reading

Transition from picture books to a mix of picture books and chapter books

## WRITING

Students will learn how to write fiction stories, poems, and research information. We will work to build our writing stamina and turn our writing into projects and presentations.

## MATH

Students will become fluent in addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. In addition to these skills, we will also learn about polygons, area and perimeter, fractions, time, and graphing.

## SCIENCE/S.S.

This year students will get to engage in many science experiments with electricity, magnets, life cycles, and weather! In Social studies we will learn about citizenship, communities, economics, and maps!

## ABSENT?

In the event that your child has to miss school due to an illness or appointment, make sure to call the office. I will collect work your child missed so it will be ready for them to complete when they come back. This year, it could happen that your child is absent for several days. In this case, please check Google Classroom for work that can be completed at home.

# HOMework

Every night your child will bring home his or her Homework Folder. This folder may include special notes, reminders, graded work, etc. Please look through all the information inside the folder, empty it out, sign papers inside if needed, and return it to school the next morning!

In third grade, there **WILL NOT** be any assigned homework. Since students are working so hard during the school day, it is important for them to explore their own interests outside of school. However, I strongly **encourage** you to have your child practice nightly reading of at least 20 minutes. There will also be additional math practice pages for your child to complete if you wish.

Occasionally, students may bring home an assignment from class that needs to be completed. This most likely will be the result of not finishing the assignment in class.

In third grade, your child's reading should improve tremendously with support both in the classroom and at home. I highly suggest that each of my students read 20 minutes every night. This can include library books, magazines, newspapers, eBooks, etc. You can choose to read with your child, listen to them read, or have them read on their own. A combination of all three is best!

# GRADES

## **Daily Work:**

Your child's grades will be based on how well they perform third grade level skills. While we will complete a lot of work in third grade, only a few items will be graded and recorded. The majority of your child's work will be used for me to guide my instruction to meet their needs. A 3 indicates your child completed and understood the assignment. A 2 indicates your child needed some help or did not understand all concepts. A 1 indicates your child struggled with the assignment.

We will also check classwork often together. These assignments will be checked by your child and will not be recorded in the grade book. These assignments will be marked with a "T" which will represent that we checked the work together and discussed.

## **Assessments:**

Assessments will be graded and recorded for a grade on your child's report card. Assessments will be kept in your child's data notebook.

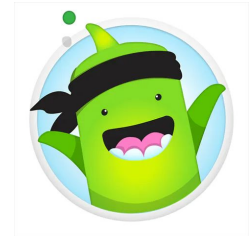
# BEHAVIOR

I love to have fun in the classroom! We do many exciting projects this year but have to work hard to get there. I expect students to work hard and put forth their best effort. With increased amount of standards, students are expected to stay focused and try their best. Students are held accountable for their work and behavior. We will use Class Dojo to track behavior. Students can earn points for following classroom & school expectations and exchange these points for a reward.

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## Classroom Expectations

1. Follow directions quickly.
2. Be ready to learn.
3. Look and sound like a learner.
4. Be kind, positive, and helpful!
5. Try your best.





# CLASS PARTIES

At this time, the details of our class parties are to be determined. It will mostly likely consist of in class parties with no extra guests. I will confirm as our parties draw near, but look for ways in which you can support from home!

# BIRTHDAYS

If your child will be celebrating a birthday, he/she is welcome to bring in treats. We will enjoy these at the end of the day before dismissal. Treats must be pre-packaged with a list of ingredients. It is typically best to stay away from snacks with nuts.

There are 15 students in our class!

# COMMUNICATION

## Remind Text Service:

One of the most frequent ways I communicate with parents is with Remind. This is a service that allows me to send all of my parents text messages. I will send out a link every Friday with information about the upcoming week. Be sure to check this weekly!

My office hours through Remind are Monday through Friday 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM. If you send a text outside of my office hours, I will not receive it or be able to respond until 7:00 AM.

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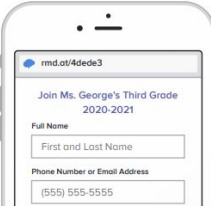
Pick a way to receive messages for Ms. George's Third Grade 2020-2021:

**A** If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

[rmd.at/4dede3](https://rmd.at/4dede3)

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



## Classroom Newsletter

On Fridays our classroom newsletter will be delivered via text through the Remind app. This is one way you can easily stay informed about what is going on in our classroom. You will find information about special events, upcoming specials schedule, what we will be learning the next week, links to important items, and other important information. There will be no paper copies to help be more environmentally friendly!



## CLASS DOJO

Class Dojo will be behavior communication. I will invite you to join our class and you will need to download the app. You will see your child's personal dojo. You can click on your child's dojo to view their behavior report for the day. Students earn points throughout the day when they are following class/school expectations. They can then use these points to earn rewards at the end of each week. I strongly encourage you to NOT check your child's points throughout the day. It is normal to earn and lose points as the day goes by. However, I would recommend discussing your child's END of day points. This is a good indicator of how their day went.

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# SUPPLIES

This list is a bit shorter than the district provided list. If you have already purchased the district provided list, you may return the items that we do not need, keep them at home, or donate them to our classroom! I know buying school supplies can get expensive so I want to make sure you only buy what we will need and use in our third grade classroom!

- 1 tote bag/backpack (standard size)
- Refillable water bottle ( water fountain will be turned off this year, but water bottle filler will remain on)
- Headphones
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 1 school supply box
- 2 large glue sticks
- 1 box of crayons (24 count)
- 2 pink erasers
- 2 solid color vinyl pocket folders with brads
- 24- #2 pencils
- 1 pair of student scissors- pointed
- 2 composition notebooks (wide-lined)
- 1 package of 3 X 3 sticky notes
- 1 one-inch plain WHITE 3-ring binder with inner pockets
- 1 package of 4 black dry erase Expo markers
- Boys: 1 box of Clorox/disinfectant wipes & 1 box of quart Ziploc bags
- Girls: 1 bottle of unscented 10 oz hand sanitizer & 1 box of gallon Ziploc bags

# CONTACT ME



Available for message on Remind 7:00-4:30  
Plan Time 9:40-10:30  
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SEE YOU ON THE  
first day!