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Welcome to 5th Grade

Robert L. Horbelt School

Unity

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I dreamed I stood in a studio and
watched two sculptors there.
The clay they used was a young child's
mind and they fashioned it with care.

One was a teacher
the tools that were used
were books, music, and art.
The other, a parent,
worked with a guiding hand
and a gentle, loving heart.

Day after day,
the teacher toiled with touch
that was deft and sure.
While the parent labored close nearby
and polished and smoothed it o'er.

And when their task was done,
they were proud of
what they had wrought,
For the things they had molded into a child
could neither be sold nor bought.

And each agree they would have failed
if each had worked alone.
For behind the parents stood the school
and behind the teacher stood the home.



5th Grade ELA & Social Studies

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Schedule

7:35 Homeroom

750-915 ELA

915-958 Social Studies

958-1041 Specials

10:42-11:26 Lunch/Recess

1126-1211 Science

1211-1255 OSS (BSI, G&T)

1255-220 Math

2:20 Dismissal



Grading Percentages

Major Assessments= 50%

Minor Assessments = 30%

Participation = 15%

Benchmarks= 5%

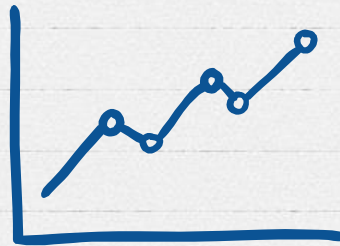
A=90-100

B= 80-89

C= 70-79


D= 65-70

F= Below 65



Parent Portal

Genesis is available to continuously check your child's grades. Please check weekly especially when there has been a major assessment given. We will alert the students when all grades are in and ready to review. The manual gives teachers 2 weeks to input a major assessment and one week to input a minor.



Once you have checked and reviewed your child's grades your child may request a retake or you can always reach out to us with any questions or concerns. :)

Grading Weights



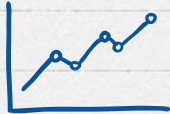
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Examples of Graded Assignments

Major Assessments-tests, projects, research essays, presentations.

Minor Assessments- quizzes, reading comprehension and vocabulary, exit tickets, in class worksheets.

Participation- In class and homework; graded on effort using rubric at the end of MP



Retakes

- *District Policy of retakes or earned "second chances"
- *At teacher's discretion
- *Parents must sign original Request to Retest Form



See page 6 of the Grading and Assessment Manual

<https://www.barnegatschools.com/Page/149>

Assessments

ELA

Minors: Wonders (online) vocab and comprehension quiz

Majors: Wonders (online) cold read, comprehension questions and open ended response (counted as separate major assessment grade for writing).

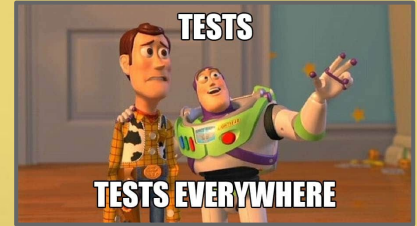
Formal writing essays; one per marking period. (Narrative, informational, persuasive and research)

Social Studies

Minors: Chapter lesson quizzes

Majors: Chapter tests

Projects: One major per marking period



District Wide Assessments

STAR Reading

Linkit ELA (3x a year, A B and C)

Linkit Social Studies (3x a year, A B and C)

NJSLA

Start Strong

Writing pre and post assessment



ClassDojo & Google Classroom



We will be using Dojo for a bulk of the information, communication, and resources. Please try to check nightly.

We use Google Classroom to post resources and utilize GC to post their writing assignments which includes slideshows, graphic organizers, checklist, rubrics and so on!





OSS-Other Student Services



Mrs. Drexler's Math/Science

Must Do:

Finish lesson 1.1

Choices:

Homework:

Upcoming Assessments:

Miss Rodriguez's ELA/Social Studies

Must Do:

Read Anthology story
Finish Branches of Government foldable

Choices:

Read or journal writing

Homework:

Upcoming Assessments:

Vocabulary quiz in two weeks!!

Wonders ELA Curriculum/HW

<https://connected.mcgraw-hill.com/connected/login.do>

- Wonders is broken down into weekly units.
- Students will be taking a minor assessment about every other week which will assess students on on vocabulary words and comprehension based on that week's Anthology story. Students will be responsible for reading the story on their own. There will be class time such as homeroom and OSS to read the story. If not, they will be responsible for reading the story for hw.
- All stories and other resources such as the vocabulary words are available on the Wonders website.
- Students will be responsible for completing unfinished work as homework.
- Students must be reading at least 15 minutes nightly. This can be a novel, comic book, news article, and so on. I have a HUGE variety of books available in my library for checkout. :) They will log their reading hours online through Scholastic and earn rewards for reading as well as counting toward their participation grade.

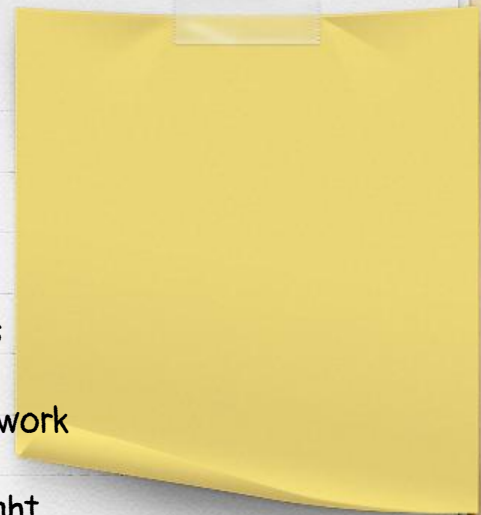


Student Planning

Students are responsible for keeping track of their assignments.

They should copy their homework and other assignments and assessments down in their agenda daily as soon as we share the dates.

They are also responsible for taking their school folders and any unfinished work home and back to school everyday. Finally, students are able to bring their Chromebook to and from school daily and **MUST** charge it nightly and brought to school fully charged.



Important Supplies

Two separate folders-ELA/SS and Math/Sci
Two separate folders for ELA and Math
Wired headphones
Student planner (issued by the school)

These will be utilized daily!!

If you are unable to get any of these supplies no worries!! Just let us know :)



Benchmarks [3x a year]

“The LinkIt! Benchmarks have a sliding scale of expectations that represent where the learner is supposed to be in the curriculum at a given point in the year. In other words, the requirements for “Meeting Expectations” in the Fall is different from the cut score for “Meeting Expectations” in the Spring. *The chart below indicates how each student’s performance band will be converted to a numerical grade on the students’ report cards.*”

Benchmark Performance Grade	
Exceeding Expectations	100
Meeting Expectations	95
Almost Meeting*	85
Approaching Expectations	75
Partially Meeting Expectations	65
Not Meeting Expectations	55

*This performance band represents students who are on the borderline of meeting expectations or not.

LinkIt! identifies these students as being on the “Bubble”. These students will receive specialized support to help them get over the cusp and pass the NJSLA.

(Excerpts from the Barnegat TWP Grading and Assessment Manual)

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Communication

Please forward all messages regarding absences or if your child has to walk or take the bus etc as well as any other circumstances that are different than a normal day.

If we are absent we will not see the message so your circumstance may not be communicated.

Please CC the front office staff and the nurse IF applicable.

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Thank You!

Any questions?

You can ask **general** class questions quickly, send an email, message on Classdojo, give us a call, or make an appointment to meet. :)

