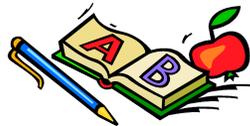
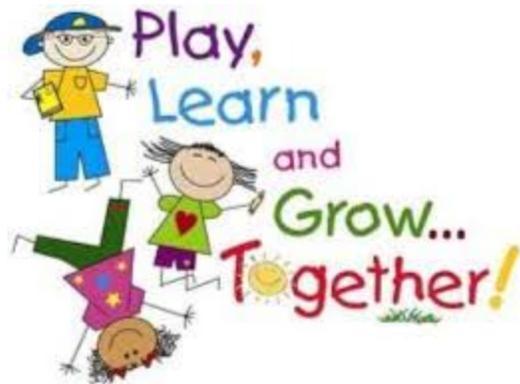


Level 3 Handbook

3rd and 4th Grade

Mrs. Denise Antonio

2022-2023 School Year



Level 3 Parents,

Hello, I am Mrs. Antonio and I am the Level 3 teacher. I have earned my degree and certification in Elementary Education. I studied at the College of Southern Nevada and earned my Bachelor's Degree at Prescott College. I have taught 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade; this will be my 10th year teaching. For over 20 years, I also worked and operated a therapeutic treatment home serving boys ages 5-17 years old with my husband in the Prescott Valley and Southern Nevada area.

I was born and raised in Honolulu, Hawaii. My husband and I have a beautiful adult son and a 10 year old Pekingnese. I enjoy spending time with family members near and far. I also absolutely love traveling. I have been to the Caribbean, Dubai, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Mexico, Philippines, and South Korea, to name a few. My goal is to visit every state in the United States. In my spare time, I go walking, golfing, yoga, and shopping.

I have a passion working with children and watching them grow in all areas; academically, emotionally, physically, mentally and socially. I am looking forward to working with you and your child this school year and Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of your child's education.

My Teaching Philosophy and Classroom Environment

Teaching is the most rewarding profession. I am honored to be your student's teacher. I believe YOU are your child's first teacher. I respect that fact and I work towards establishing a parent-teacher partnership through on-going communication. Your input is considered and valued. I also believe that students learn best through evidence-based and engaging playful activities. In our dual-grade classroom, students will have the opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions to find deeper meanings in text, to analyze solutions, and to problem solve. These discussions will prepare them for occupations that are founded on communication, appropriate risk-taking through the sharing of ideas and problem solving in team collaboration.

Computer-based learning through our online classroom will help my students to maintain the skills of navigating online assignments that will be necessary for middle and high school. You can trust that your child will have a balance of practicing technology and learning in a traditional classroom setting.

This handbook was created to help you and your child familiarize yourselves with the major components of Level 3. Please read this handbook and keep it as a reference for the entire year.

Communications

School Phone Number: 928-776-1212

Website: www.willowcreekcharter.com

Email: Level3@willowcreekcharter.com

Reminders for School

- *School begins at 8:00 and ends at 3:15.*
- *Please make sure your child has their lunch and a water bottle in their backpack every morning.*
- *Please send a healthy snack to school every day. Students learn better when they have nutritious meals. **Water only. Snacks will no longer be available in the office!***
- *Label anything and everything your child brings to school (backpacks, lunch boxes, jackets, etc.)*
- *Electronics are not permitted at school. **Personal phones will be stored in the teacher's desk.** Toys are not permitted at school (unless there is a special share day or toy party). All toys brought to school will be kept in the office until the last day of school.*

Level 3 Behavior Plan

Guidelines for student behavior:

*Students may not disrupt the learning environment. Some students need extra support for learning, such as minimal distractions. Classroom disruptions will not be tolerated as it is stealing the opportunities other students need to learn. Depending on the scenario, your child may be escorted out of the classroom, lose classroom and school-wide privileges, will receive discipline documentation, and possible behavior contracts. **All inappropriate behavior will be documented and reported to the school Director and you will also be notified and made aware of recurring or severe offenses. You may also be required to sign and return behavior infraction notices.** See the Willow Creek Charter School Student Handbook for more information.*

Classroom Expectations

- 1. You **WILL** work hard for your grades. Straight A's and B's **will not come easy** for you in Level 3, unless you **WORK** with your **BEST** effort, you **ASK** for help and you keep **YOURSELF** organized.*
- 2. Your grades are what you earn-not what I give you.*
- 3. Be respectful to your teachers, your classmates and yourself.*
- 4. Clean up after yourself.*
- 5. Ask for help appropriately and as often as you need it. There's no need to struggle by yourself.*
- 6. Maintain your integrity- **cheating,stealing and lying** will not be tolerated.*
- 7. Do not speak over your classmates or your teacher.*
- 8. You get what you need-not what your classmates have. Fair does not mean you have the same things, but you **WILL** have the same opportunities to learn.*
- 9. **Be a friend to your classmates, above all.***

Grading Policy

90%-100% = A

80%-89% = B

70%-79% = C

60%-69% = D

50% and below = F

Late Work Policy

Late work is not acceptable. It is your student's job to bring their homework to school and to give you all school-communication forms. Level 3 is a huge jump in obtaining personal responsibility and accountability. If a child says that their parents did not pack their homework for them, my answer will be that it is NOT their parent's job to complete and turn in homework.

If your child has an excused absence on the day their homework is due, they will have an additional day to complete their homework. One week is plenty of time to complete homework packets. Parents need to communicate with me, directly, for extended absences.

Illness Addendum- Of course I will work with students and their parents in the case that your child is sick or misses school, due to illness for an extended amount of time. Please communicate with me if this occurs.

Corrections

*Failing grades will be allowed to be corrected for a passing grade, the highest possible grade your child will receive on a corrected assignment will be a **70%**.*

Homework: *is intended to be a meaningful experience that reinforces concepts taught in class. Possible homework assignments may include, but not limited to:*

cursive

spelling

math drills

reading

unfinished class work

*Homework will be assigned on **Thursdays and WILL be due the following Thursday.** Late homework **will not be accepted.***

Together we can make this a great year! Please contact me with any questions or concerns, via Remind or email, as I am always open to communication.

