

St. Theresa School's

3rd-5th Grade Discipline Plan

Welcome to the 2011-2012 school year. We hope that everyone had a restful, enjoyable summer.

As we look forward to a new school year, our goal remains one of providing quality instruction within an atmosphere of acceptance and responsibility. Respect for others, respect for property, obedience, awareness of the needs of others, responsibility to participate in learning, and the effort to develop self-directed behavior are expected of each student.

To ensure that all students have the opportunity to receive quality instruction, a discipline plan has been established to guide every student in making good decisions about their actions and behavior.

Please review the following information and discuss it with your child. Sign and return the bottom portion to your child's homeroom teacher.

The 3rd – 5th Grade Discipline Plan includes the following:

St. Theresa School-Wide Rules:

1. Love one another as God loves you.
2. Be respectful to yourself, others & property.
3. Contribute to the learning environment.
4. Follow all school & classroom procedures.

Positive Recognition:

- ❖ School-wide Warrior Wampum Day once per month for A or B in conduct
- ❖ School-wide drawing for a prize
- ❖ Praise and positive notes
- ❖ Classroom rewards by teachers
- ❖ Small treats

In 3rd -5th grade, each student will receive **one** conduct grade each nine weeks. **Conduct grades will be updated weekly and may be viewed on RenWeb.** On a daily basis, parents and students may refer to the conduct sheet, which each child will have with him/her at all times.

Conduct Sheets:

Students will be issued a weekly conduct sheet to monitor behavior. 3rd - 5th grade students' sheets will be kept in a 3-ring folder. They will have 9 sheets in their folder for each week of the Nine Weeks. At the end of each week, the homeroom teacher will have students remove their conduct sheets and return them.

Students must keep their conduct sheets with them during all classes, except activity periods. Any infractions in conduct will be noted by a "tally" mark under the designated place on the sheet. For 4th & 5th grade, teachers will mark any tallies in certain colors, allowing students and parents to know which teacher marked the sheet. Teachers at each grade level will set the point deductions for their grade level students. Refer to the page attached for your child's grade level deductions. Students should bring their conduct folder/sheet home each day for parents to initial. All marks will be counted up and points deducted on Friday for the week. A conduct grade will be marked, and the sheet will be sent home with the student's graded papers to be signed the following week. Students' weekly conduct grades will be averaged into one grade for the Nine Weeks.

If a student reaches an 85/C in conduct for the Nine Weeks, a parent/teacher conference will be scheduled. An administrative conference will be scheduled if the student's grade drops to a D for the Nine Weeks.

******Serious infractions resulting in automatic detentions, such as defiance, cheating, inappropriate language or gestures, etc., will result in -15 points from the weekly conduct grade. Administration may assign a Saturday School Detention or Suspension for very serious infractions as deemed necessary.

**Please note there is also a homework grid on the conduct sheet which serves to let parents know when a student has not completed assignments. The homework table does NOT affect conduct grades. It provides a convenient way to communicate if a child does not have his/her homework, so that the issue may be addressed at home.*

St. Theresa School's Discipline Policy also includes guidelines for participation in Clubs, Sports, & Field Trips as follows:

Fieldtrips- Students must currently have a 78% or higher in conduct in the nine weeks of the field trip.

Sports & Certain Clubs- Students must have an 81% or higher on the report card prior to joining. (Individual clubs may set specific more restrictive conduct requirements.)

Field Day- Students' average of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Nine Weeks conduct grades must be 78% or higher for participation.

Collaboration between parents and the school community will lead to a positive relationship between teachers, students, and parents as we work together to create an atmosphere that provides spiritual, academic, and social development for students in a safe, Catholic environment.

We thank you for your support.

Please keep the Discipline Plan for your records and return this completed page to your child's homeroom teacher.

I have reviewed the 3rd-5th Grade Discipline Policy.

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____ **Homeroom** _____