

## A Little About Me

- I grew up in South Carolina with one brother.
- This is my 14th year teaching. I came from Ogden City School District. Its my $5^{\text {th }}$ year here at Quest.
- I taught 3 years in kindergarten, 6 years in $2^{\text {nd, }}$ and 4 years in $3^{\text {rd }}$ grade.
- I think 3rd grade is the best grade to teach!
- The beach/tropical places bring me happiness! ©
- I love reading, working out, and spending time outside.


## 3rd Grade

- 3rd grade will be a very fun grade. I try to make every day enjoyable for the students.
- Things to look forward to...
- Money System/School Store
- Musical play in the Spring
- Fun Art Projects EVERY WEEK!!
- Exciting STEM projects every month
- Lots of interesting ways to learn through using technology!!!


## Fluency Goals this Year

- Every student reading 110 words per minute by the end of the year.
- Multiplication and division facts throughout the year. Multiplication facts need to be mastered by January.


## Mastery Connect Grading

Understanding where students are in relation to mastery of Common Core standards helps teachers and parents know if students need additional help, if students are proficient, or if students need further enrichment.

At Quest Academy, students grades are determined by student performance on various grade level assessments. Students are given multiple opportunities to demonstrate mastery and proficiency of standards. For example, if a student receives a below proficiency score, he/she will not only be retaught, but will also have the opportunity to raise his/her score by retaking the assessment multiple times throughout the term.

We are excited for the implementation of this model and for the opportunities that will be offered our students for academic growth.

## New Grading Scale

4 100\%-90\% The student demonstrates mastery of the standard (can apply and teach).
3 89\%-80\% The student demonstrates proficiency of the standard.
2 79\%-60\% The student is approaching proficiency..
1 59\%-0\% The student is well below proficiency.

## Money System

- It focuses on guiding student's behavior with positive reinforcement all while learning how to count and earn money.
- I will do my best to create a positive learning environment where students feel safe.
- I implement the Money System in the classroom that encourages the students to be responsible in the classroom. They are paid for many things: jobs, on time, $90 \%$ or better, etc... Students pay me for other things: being tardy, late homework, restroom during class time, etc... Students learn responsibility through becoming more familiar with counting money. On Fridays, the students get to go to the classroom School Store and spend their hard earned money! ©


## How to get a hold of me:

- Email me at ewaddell@questac.org (BEST way to contact me!)
- Call the office at 801-731-9859 ext. 132
- Comment on the classroom blog.
- BLOOMZ
- I won't usually answer the phone during school because I am teaching, but please leave a message. I will call you back as soon as I can before or after school.


## To Be Done at HOME...

-Prodigy for 15 minutes each night (M-Th)
-20 minutes of reading a night
-Monthly Poems (sent home \& posted on blog)
-Great Brain Book Reports (monthly)

## Tutoring

- Students are invited to $3^{\text {rd }}$ Grade after-school tutoring from 3:00-3:30 (Monday-Thursday).
- I will contact you if your child could benefit from tutoring at various times of the year.


## Volunteering

- All parents are welcome to volunteer in the classroom. You are all welcome to help us! Sign up tonight!! ©
- Fluency readings
- School Store (Fridays @ 12:30)
- Art Books
- Sight word helper (twice a week)
- Classroom Parties/Field trips


## Blog Address

## - www.qacblogs.org/erica.waddell

- Please subscribe ASAP. You MUST follow up and follow the directions on the email you receive after subscription. You can subscribe tonight at the back table.
- Please print off Disclosure statement, read closely, sign, and return to school.


## Bloomz

- New Bloomz Parent
- 1. Download the "Bloomz" app from the App Store/ Play Store and click "Create Account". In browser, go to bloomz.com and click on "Join Bloomz".
- 2. In the text box, enter the class code: 2NEX3Y
- 3. You can also join using text messaging instead.
- Text @2NEX3Y to 1-858-BLOOMZ1 (1-858-6691) to receive 1-way text messages from your teacher.


## Parking Lot and Pick Up

- The teachers will be walking their students out the front doors of Q1 daily. Parents are encouraged to set a designated meeting spot where their child will be picked up each day. Make contact with your child and meet them at the end of the parking lot line.
- Make sure you are always using the crosswalk and following the parking lot rules. You are an example of safe parking lot procedures.

My Family


## Questions?

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## Let's Have a Great Year!

