

Welcome to 1st Grade!



About Funding

Title 1 Program

- This is a federally funded program based on the numbers of economically disadvantaged students at the school.
- Economically disadvantaged is determined by the free/reduced lunch population at the school.
- Quest is a “targeted assistance” school which means we receive money that must be spent ONLY on students targeted for help in reading and/or math (Students who are served in these content areas do not need to qualify for free/reduced lunch).
- Quest Title 1 funds support our reading and math intervention programs.

Teacher Qualifications

Parents have the right to request and receive information on the qualifications of their child’s teachers. If you would like this information, feel free to contact Dr. Dave at dbullock@questac.org or 801-731-9859.



About Mrs. Gieseke

I am so excited to be your teacher this year! We are going to work hard and play hard while we learn.

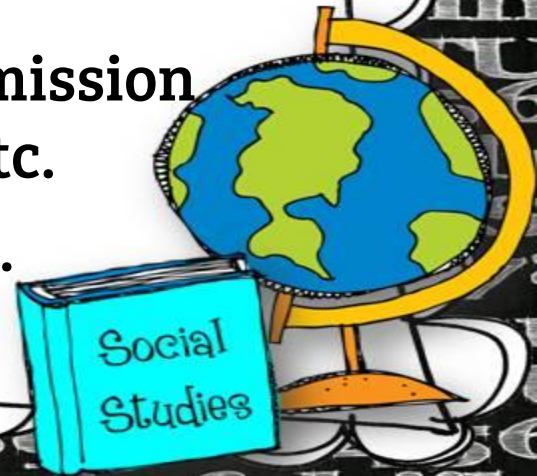


Take Home Communication Folder (Green Folder)

Stay at home pocket: completed assignments,
letters to parents, flyers, etc.

Return to school pocket: homework, permission
slips, incomplete work, questionnaires, etc.

Please check this folder DAILY.



Class Blog

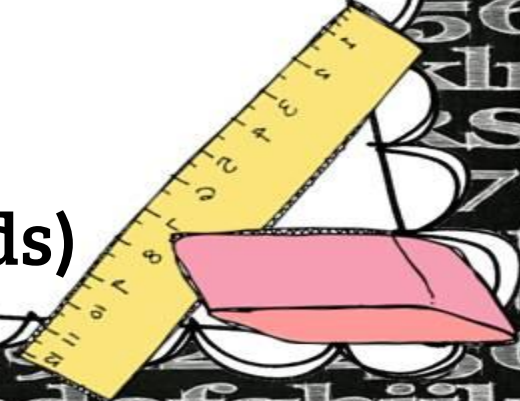
The class blog is our primary form of communication. Please check it frequently. We recommend that you bookmark it and strongly encourage you to **SUBSCRIBE** to it.

[Mrs. Gieseke's Class Blog](#)

Homework

Homework will consist of:

- ◆ Math review
- ◆ Math fluency
- ◆ Reading (20 minutes per day)
- ◆ Reading Fluency
- ◆ Spelling (Phonics and Sight Words)



Grading

Students will receive grades for the mastery of standards in all subject areas.

Assessing for mastery will help us know:

if students need additional help,

if students are proficient,

or if students need further enrichment.



Birthdays

We will have a birthday celebration in class.

We generally celebrate
summer birthdays in May.

Click [here](#) for our
birthday schedule.



Field Trips and Class Parties

Field Trips

- Hogle Zoo (September)
- Ogden Nature Center- in class (Fall and Spring)
- Hill Aerospace Museum (May)

Parties

- Halloween (October)
- Christmas (December)
- Valentines (February)

Click [here](#) to sign our yearly permission slip.



Parent Volunteers

We love our parent volunteers for:

STEM projects

Reading

Work at home

Math Fluency

Class Parties

Field Trips

Copies

One on One Help

WATCH for sign-ups on our blog!

Click [here](#) for volunteer opportunities.





Who: Parents & guardians of Quest Academy students (*you*).

What: Enhance kids' education & school community through activities & events.

Why: Because we care about our kids' educational experience.

Stop by the POQA table for free Cookies!

VOLUNTEERS: We can't do anything without your help! Sign-ups @ POQA table

FUNDRAISING: Students will be selling cookies & jerky this year to pay for all the awesome events, activities, & clubs. Info will be sent home with students Aug 28.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: Sign-up sheets for interested students @ POQA table

MERCHANDISE: Check out the awesome school swag and new shirts!

Drop Off

Students may enter the building after 8:00am. They are then expected to go to the playground area.

We will bring the students in at 8:25am.

Late bell rings at 8:30am.

(On the first day of school, you are welcome to bring your child into the classroom.)

Remember the
Golden Rule





Pick Up

Our class is assigned to exit the east side doors.

For the first few days we will take the class to the trees just down from the kindergarten door.

Please talk with your child about where their ride or other students will be meeting them.



The First Few Weeks

First Grade= BIG CHANGE for your child

Due to:

- Longer school schedule
- Increased expectations & independence
- Unfamiliar surroundings, people, rules, etc.

The First Few Weeks

How to help with the transition:

- *Monitor Sleep (Early, consistent bedtimes)
- *Be Encouraging
- *Healthy Meals (Breakfast!)
- *Consistent Attendance



Contact Information

Please feel free to contact me in the future
with any questions.

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