



June 6, 2024

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to 3rd grade! We know you may have questions about what to expect as your child transitions to an intermediate grade. In this note, we hope to briefly introduce ourselves and explain the 3rd grade program for the 2024-2025 school year.

Mrs. Geller, Mrs. Placko, Ms. Walsh, and Mrs. Downing will be the third grade team working with your child. In order to best meet the needs of every student and provide the very best instruction, your students will learn using a departmental model next year. This really allows us, as teachers, to focus and specialize on core subject areas. In turn, your child will get the best, targeted instruction in each subject area because we can focus more on the subject areas we are teaching!

This means that we will each specialize in a core area of instruction. Mrs. Geller will teach Social Studies and Science, Mrs. Placko will teach Reading and Writing (ELA), Ms. Walsh will teach Math, and Mrs. Downing will support all of our diverse learners.

We will each have a homeroom class that will have a mixed group of students designed to create a good learning community. Your student has already been assigned to a homeroom class. Your child will work with each of us throughout the day.

Third grade is a year of many transitions and changes. Next year students will use technology on a daily basis in school, change classes, and assume responsibility for their own learning! It is our goal to work as a team with families to help students soar with confidence through third grade and become lifelong learners, problem solvers, and independent thinkers.

Have a wonderful and safe summer! We will see you on Monday, August 26th!

Be sure to visit our 3rd grade website for more information in early August!

<https://sites.google.com/view/canty3rdgradesite/home>



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SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST
3rd Grade
Canty School - 2024-2025

- 1 set of WIRED headphones to be kept at school **(NO Bluetooth devices)**
- 1 folder labeled Take-Home for homework.
- Small pencil case/zipper pouch
- Small pencil sharpener
- 1 box of colored pencils

The following will be covered by School Fees and will be distributed to your child at school:

- Spiral Notebooks
- Pencils
- Crayons
- Highlighters
- Glue sticks
- Scissors

The following will be covered by School Fees, but will stay in the homeroom for your child to use:

- Tissues
- Paper Towels
- Band-aids
- Hand Sanitizer
- Dry Erase Markers

