

Discipline Plan

We will be using the Whole Brain Teaching method, a research-based system, to help keep the students engaged throughout the year and reduce any distractions to our learning goals. My objective as a teacher is to provide a safe and stimulating learning environment. In order to do this, we will use the reliable and consistent discipline system from Whole Brain Teaching and enforce it every day in our classroom. I feel that a good discipline system, such as Whole Brain Teaching, will reinforce positive behavior and discourage behaviors that are negative to your child and his/her classmates.

In our classroom, we have the following rules:

Rule 1: Follow Directions Quickly

Rule 2: Raise your hand for permission to speak

Rule 3: Raise your hand for permission to leave your seat

Rule 4: Make Smart Choices

Rule 5: Keep your dear teacher happy

Diamond Rule: Keep your eye on the target

The Super Improver Wall is our reward system to help reinforce good behavior. They will be given the opportunity to improve over 100 times throughout the year! They can improve in their behavior, attitude, responsibility as well as being awarded for academic growth. We have a ten-step ladder in place. Each time a child improves they will receive a star. The students will start out on the Beginner Level and advance in each level once they receive ten stars in their current level. The ultimate goal is to earn the Living Legend Hall of Fame status. Each child will work at their own pace to improve themselves throughout the year.

Further, students will receive opportunities to practice following our rules during class time. If a child continues to have difficulty following the rules, he/she will be given extra time to practice during recess. If a child loses part of their recess as a result of breaking a classroom rule, parents will receive a note that will indicate what rule was broken, and if necessary, how it was broken. I ask that all parents, please take the time to review the note and the rule with the child, sign the note, and return the next day. Parent support is a valuable asset that contributes to student success,

and by working together we will help each child learn how to be a positive contributor in the classroom and have a successful year in third grade!

Please note, there are some behaviors that are zero tolerance and for which an automatic discipline referral and discussion with administration will occur. This includes fighting, threatening, and stealing.

Thank you for your kindness and support!

Sincerely,

Ashley Sandford
Third Grade Teacher
Blessed Trinity Catholic School