



Back to School Night



September 16, 2024



ST. CHARLES
BORROMEO
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Mrs. Mercer



- My credentials: _____
 - Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education/History/Early Childhood Education
 - Masters of Science in Reading/Literacy
 - Masters of Educational Leadership & Admin
 - *Breathe for Change* certified mindfulness, meditation and yoga teacher
- VP at SCB for 6 years
- 1.5 years teaching 5th Grade and 2 years teaching 2nd Grade at SCB
- Ten years teaching 2nd and three years teaching 5th Grade at St. Philomena Catholic School, Des Moines

Content Areas Taught

- **Religion:** *St. Mary's Press*
 - Sacramental Prep - assigned through SCB Parish
- **Language Arts:** *Amplify*

Knowledge and Skills. This includes writing, reading, fluency and comprehension.

- **Math:** *Houghton Mifflin Harcourt*

Place value, addition and subtraction word problems.

- **Science:** *Nancy Larson Science*

Matter, Force & Motion, Light & Sound, Ornithology

Grading

3 = Content mastered

2 = Progressing towards mastery

1 = Difficulty understanding, needs support



= Corrected in class and not graded

Report cards will come home at the end of each trimester.

Homework

- Homework will be assigned 3-4 nights per week. Homework may include: reading passages, math worksheets, science study guides, spelling practice, prayer memorization, *IXL* and *Xtra Math*.
- Spelling tests will begin soon. Words will be practiced at school but students will also need to practice them at home.
- Archdiocesan required prayers should be practiced at home in order to achieve mastery. Each month a different prayer will be assigned. We will practice them at school too!
- *IXL*, *Xtra Math*, *Epic Books*, reading and math fact fluency are always great things to practice at home if you are looking for more to do!

Classroom Rules

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INTERFERES with learning, HURTS someone's
heart or PREVENTS you from being your best
self...STOP and try again

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Communication

- Friday Folders
- Classroom Newsletter (posted to Google Classroom @ 3 PM on Mondays)
- Homework Folder
- Google Classroom
- School Website & Monday principal newsletter
- Email: kmercerc@stcharlesb.org

Technology

Clever is the main portal for students to access any site that may be necessary for school tech use.

- Google Classroom
- IXL
- XtraMath
- Reading Counts
- Epic Books
- Amplify
- Scholastic News (this is not available on Clever)

Grade Level Testing

- MAP Testing (Math, Language and Reading) 3 times a year
 - September 2024
 - April/May 2025
- DIBELS Testing (Reading)
- Mastertrack Math benchmark assessment
- Amplify Beginning of the Year Assessment
- Teacher observations

Conferences

- Please make a note on your calendar that conferences are scheduled for Thursday, October 24 and Friday, October 25.
- If at any time you have questions or concerns about your child's progress, I am happy to meet with you to set your mind at ease and a game plan. If I have a concern or anything I need to share with you, I will contact you ASAP.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Helping in the classroom.
 - Take home projects.
 - Lunchroom
 - Playground
 - Field Trips
 - Keep your eyes peeled for a SignUp Genius!
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- *All volunteers must be up to date with their Virtus training. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Kuzmanich in the school office.*

Final Reminders!

- Sign up for Conference slot when email is sent
- Consider signing up to volunteer

Questions?

Thank You!