

Dear Parent/Guardians:

My name is Shaun Julian, and I will be your child's 4th grade teacher for the 2011-2012 school year. I am in anticipation that this year will be the most exciting in some time. I am very excited to have your child in my class. This year like all others will be very busy. I have set high expectations for all my students, and will do everything I can in order to help them achieve their academic goals.

I feel that your child's academic success can be better obtained if you and I can work as a team. It is very important for you to be involved in your child's academic career. Reading with your child is a very good way to help your child's overall development. Reading is very important in order to be a success in all academic areas. Parents could provide their children with appropriate reading material. Also, if convenient you could take your child to a public library. The Elizabethton Public Library is a great place for your child to be introduced to the wonderful world of reading. The library offers many activities for children. They have an entire section dedicated for child reading. There is also no fee for your child to use the library.

Communication is also very important part of your child's education. We can easily communicate on a regular basis through the planner, graded papers, progress reports, ect. **The students will be required to have their daily planner signed by their parents each day, even if no homework is given.** I value your input and look forward working with your this year to help your child obtain the best education possible. If you have any questions or concerns my classroom is always open to the parents. I encourage you to attend the scheduled parent/teacher meetings (see school calendar). Also, note the progress report dates as these reports should be signed and returned.

Conduct grades will be based on the child's attitude and behavior. We have much to do in class and do not have time for misbehavior. I want all my students to have a desire to learn and get along with their peers. I will have rules/procedures, rewards/consequences that will be discussed with the students and sent home to be signed by parents and students.

I am very excited to have your child in my class and look forward to a wonderful year of learning. Working together during this school year will be a great experience for you and your child. I will do everything possible to make your child's 4th grade experience successful and fun.

All the best,

Mr. Shaun Julian

