

Dear Parent,

It is hard to believe that school is already starting once again. I hope you and your child had an enjoyable, relaxing summer. Hopefully we are all refreshed and ready for a GREAT year!

Each year, I like to associate a theme with my students. This year, I have chosen, "Be Yourself!" We still have a lot to learn in the fifth grade before our students are ready to make the transition to junior high. If we all realize our ability to be anything, we will make each day an adventure, and can undertake anything we set out to achieve. We can help each other accomplish our goals and enjoy ourselves along the way.

Once again this year, we will have STAR time in our classroom. STAR stands for Stop, Take a Book, and Read, Read! This goes along with our AR reading. As the 5th grade Reading teacher, this year I will require a *minimum* of 3 AR points every week. Stories in our reading book count toward the goal. It is each student's responsibility to take the AR test for our reading story each week. I keep track of progress made by using the AR computer report. Any student not achieving the 3 point goal may receive a zero for a test grade in Reading. I do not feel this goal is out of reach, so I firmly stick to my policy. Your child will be well aware of where he/she stands throughout the year.

I firmly believe keeping the lines of communication open is very important for everyone. Feel free to call or e-mail and set up a conference time or phone during my conference if you need to speak to me. My e-mail address is: candreski@bremondisd.net.

In your child's notebook you will find a copy of the following: rules and procedures, classroom code of conduct, class schedule, and a notebook organizational guideline. I know you will have many papers to sign and go over. Please take the time to also go over the above with your child.

Let's have a successful year! With your help, we can all explore our new abilities and can do attitude while reading and have a successful year. Thank you in advance for believing in your child and me. Your support and cooperation is invaluable.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Callie Andreski





*****You can access my website by going to www.bremondisd.net scrolling to the Elementary School tab at top of page, going down to Teacher Webpages, and clicking on Callie Andreski.

Student Signature Parent Signature