

Summer 2019

Dear 5th Grader,

Are you enjoying your summer vacation? You've only had a few free days so far, but I hope that you are already happily sleeping in, making plans with friends, reading great books, and doing all those things that make summer such a great time!

This is my "Welcome to 5th Grade" letter which includes telling you a little bit about me, what to expect next year, and what to buy when you get your back to school supplies.

Most of you have seen me on campus for quite awhile. Next year will be my 19th year at Mack. When the Lord called me to be a teacher 45 years ago, it was quite a surprise, but He knew what he was doing because I love working with fifth graders! ☺

The theme verse for our classroom will be **Luke 2:52** which says "And Jesus grew in stature (physically), in wisdom (intellectually), and in favor with God (spiritually) and men (socially)." My goal for our year together is that we can mature in these ways also. When you are reading this summer, please spend time in God's word. Did you know that the Bible is always the number one best seller every year?

Enclosed is my back to school supply list. Please bring everything with you on the first day of school or on the visiting day before school starts. I also have a summer writing assignment for you that comes from a tradition in my family when I was growing up. When you visit different states, countries, or sites in our state, I would like you to collect postcards, date each one, and write down what you observed or thought about this place. It is a great way to create a family picture journal. Please bring these with you during the first week of school and we will share them.

In closing I want you to know that I am so excited to have you in my class next year! I will be praying that you have a safe and fun summer!

Sincerely,

Ms. Gibbs

Grade 5 Supplies (Gibbs)

Please label each item with student name and bring the first day of school. I will provide storage during the year.

Bible	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ESV Bible with Old and New Testament. Bring the one you were given in 3rd grade. Bring an NIV Bible if you have one.
Notebooks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 soft, zippered binder with 2" rings.• 1 three-subject metal spiral notebook, college-rule, 3-hole punched.
Pens & Pencils 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 hard-cover pencil box (11 inch by 7 inch)• 12 sharpened #2 pencils• 2 Pilot Precise V7 Rolling Ball Pens in black, fine point• 1 box of sharpened colored pencils (approx. 12 colors)• 1 highlighter• 1 package Expo Dry Erase Fine Point Markers (avoid yellow because it doesn't show up well)• Small manual pencil sharpener
Other Supplies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 GB flash drive• Ear buds or headphones• 1 package of 4" X 6" lined note cards• 1 pad of small sticky notes• Paper plates and plastic utensils if you plan on using the microwave this year

Students do NOT need tape, crayons, white-out or folders.