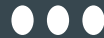


# WELCOME TO BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT!

PLEASE FIND YOUR CHILD'S DESK AND HAVE A  
SEAT. WE WILL BEGIN SOON!



Mrs. Mejia  
Room 22  
Fourth Grade

# ABOUT MRS. MEJIA

- Educational background
  - Baldwin Stocker
  - First Avenue
  - Arcadia High
  - Cal State Fullerton
  - Cal Poly Pomona
- Teaching experience
  - Reading and Writing Intervention (for 3 years)
  - Taught five years of 5th grade
  - This is my sixth year teaching 4th grade

# CLASSROOM PHILOSOPHY

- Building positive student-teacher relationships is essential for student learning
- Focus on responsibility and making good choices leads to mature learners
- Children have diverse learning styles, and it is effective to use a variety of teaching methods
- Learning is a lifelong process for both the student and the teacher

“You can teach a student a lesson for a day; but if you can teach him to learn by creating curiosity, he will continue the learning process as long as he lives.”

# DISCIPLINE PLAN

- Consequences: warning, loss of Fun Friday minutes, late slips for homework, limited use of Chromebook, Oops Room (miss Friday Free Play), behavior contract
- Rewards: verbal recognition, addition of Fun Friday minutes, Mejia Money, a positive school experience, and a happy teacher!

# ATTENDANCE

- Please send an email or note in advance if you know your child will be absent from school.
- A Homework Buddy will collect items for the missing student, and will complete a missed assignments sheet. The missed work will be on your child's desk when they return to school.
- Students need to talk to me the day they return if a quiz/test is missed.
- It is imperative for students to come to school on time and prepared.

# BIRTHDAYS

It is a Highland Oaks school policy that birthday treats are not allowed.

# Weekly Schedule

- Library every Monday from 1:00- 1:30 PM
- PE Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 2:10- 2:35 PM
- Early release day every Wednesday at 1:20 PM
- Instrumental Music program Tuesdays 9:45- 10:30 AM  
(will begin in September)
- Performing Arts program Wednesdays (will begin in October)

# Forgotten Items

- Highland Oaks does not allow parents to drop off lunches, instruments, etc. once the school day has started.
- If your child comes to school without a lunch, they will need to buy a lunch from the cafeteria that day.



# HOMework

- Math and reading assignments usually assigned Mondays, due Thursdays—sometimes assigned via Google Classroom
- 30 minutes of silent reading each night
- Monthly book projects starting in September
- Unfinished classwork is homework that night, due the next day
- Please check and sign your child's agenda each night
- Missing homework results in a late slip sent home—please sign and return
- Want more homework? Pearson website for math, Reader's Notebook for Language Arts

# GRADED WORK

- Graded work and some tests will be sent home on Wednesdays, so please check your child's Wednesday Folder each week. This is a good way to stay updated on your child's progress in class.
- Some test and quiz scores will be emailed to your child's school email address. Please check your child's email, Google Drive, and Google Classroom regularly (for scores, or just to see what we're working on in class).

# Parent Involvement

- Conferences the weeks of October 3 and February 12  
(sign ups and more info to follow)
- Art volunteers
- Field trip volunteers
- Class Party donations or volunteers
- Classroom donations (tissues, disinfectant wipes)
- Please check your email for more chances to help out!

# Important Dates

- November: Field trip to Huntington Library
- Week of October 7: Goal-setting conferences in the afternoons
- Feb 12-13: Student-led conferences in the afternoons
- March 30: Field trip to VT Ranch
- May 4- May 15: SBA state testing
- May 22: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium fish dissection

# CLASS AND GRADE LEVEL WEBSITES

Our class website contains our daily schedule, suggested websites to visit, and much more!

<http://highlandoaks22.weebly.com/>

Fourth Grade Website:

<https://sites.google.com/ausd.net/ho4thgrade>

# CONTACTING ME

- [tmejia@ausd.net](mailto:tmejia@ausd.net)
- Follow me on Twitter! [@mrstiffanymejia](https://twitter.com/mrstiffanymejia)
- Send a note from home

# ON YOUR DESK

Please take everything on your child's desk home with you:

- supply list
- orange paper with QR code- this links to an important form for you to fill out
- student ID card so you can check work/ drive/ Google Classroom from home
- pink card with my email
- article from National PTSA on how to support your 4th grader at home

# THANK YOU FOR COMING!



This is a time of independence and amazing growth. Thank you for your help and support. We are going to have a FABULOUS year!