

# 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

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**Independence**  
**+**  
**Communication**  
**=**  
**Success**

# Contact Us

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PLEASE GIVE US **24 HOURS** TO RESPOND  
**BEFORE** YOU EMAIL OR CALL AGAIN!

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[www.jzeller6.com](http://www.jzeller6.com)

[www.engradepro.com](http://www.engradepro.com)

[www-k6.thinkcentral.com](http://www-k6.thinkcentral.com)

# Assignments & Grades

All grades will be posted and updated online at <http://www.engagepro.com/> regularly so that parents and students can track grades. **Grades are updated at least once a week.** Be aware that larger assignments take longer to grade and record. All students will receive their own, private code and instructions to access their accounts. Note that multiple accounts can be made using the same access code provided. Once you create an account, grades can be checked at any time!

**We recommend that you check the individual teachers' websites to see when assignments are due in addition to utilizing Engage. Please be active in your child's progress by checking grades at least once a week!**

If questions or confusion regarding assignments or grades arise, please follow the following steps:

1. The **student** should check the website, contact fellow classmates, ask the teacher during appropriate school hours, or (if not the evening before the due date), email the teacher.
2. The student should attend lunch lab for extra help, offered twice a week by each teacher.
3. If the above steps have been followed, allowing time for the teacher to address the issues with the student, the parents should feel free to contact the teacher via phone or email.

# Student Expectations

- Come to class prepared with all needed school supplies.
- All work turned in must be in the correct format, neat/legible, and on time for maximum credit.
- To ensure full credit, all papers turned in must have a complete heading—first and last name, date, and homeroom teacher's name—in the upper right hand corner.
- Participation during Q&A's, class discussions, classwork, homework group activities, etc.
- Follow all classroom rules and safety rules.
- If absent, it is the **STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY** to get missed assignments from the class website, the teacher, or a friend. If not made up in a timely fashion, these assignments will earn reduced credit.
- **NO LATE WORK** (if the student was present when assignment was given and the day it was due)
- If you don't understand something, then ask us! We are always here to help!  
**WE ARE A TEAM!**
- **TRY YOUR BEST AND HAVE FUN!**

# Classroom Rules

- Come to class prepared.
- Be ready to begin work as soon as you walk through the door.
- Follow teacher's instructions.
- Be respectful at all times of the people, equipment, and furnishings in the room.
- Have a positive attitude!
- Maintain adherence to the 3 building expectations: respect, responsibility, and safety.

# BROWARD COUNTY CELL PHONE POLICY

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- Cell phones **MUST** be turned off and put in student's backpacks
- If students are caught with their cell phone out of their bags or if their cell phone goes off in class, it is a disciplinary offense, and parents must pick up the phone from the office.
- This is a Broward County Code of Conduct rule and will be enforced!

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Consequences (Broward County's Behavior Matrix)

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- First time: Verbal warning
- Second time: Verbal Warning
- Third time: Detention
- Fourth time: Double detention
- Fifth time: Referral

# Important Information

- Students will have all 4 core classes each day, on a rotating schedule. The procedures will be explained and reinforced the first week of school.
- Tardiness negatively impacts learning; 5 or more tardies in a quarter will lead to a referral (Broward County policy).
- We uphold a NO Tolerance Policy for BULLYING, according to the formal definition: directed, sustained, power-driven. Remember that being mean does not necessarily equate to bullying.
- We cannot accept any checks under \$15.00.
- Checks for separate purposes may not be combined. If you have more than one child, ESPECIALLY in different grades, please separate ALL transactions accordingly.
- Lunch must be ordered ahead of time; students cannot buy lunch on a day to day basis.
- Contact information MUST be up to date; please inform us with any changes.
- Invitations to parties, etc. cannot be handed out during class time. Please do not ask teachers for parent or student information; we are not allowed to release this information.

## Volunteering Information

- All Ben Gamla families must complete 30 hours per year even if this is your last year at the school.
- When arriving at school to volunteer, it is the parents' responsibility to fill out the necessary form when arriving and to obtain a signature from the front desk when leaving.

## Electronic/Social Media

- Remember that electronic/social media can negatively affect many individuals. Please do not use social media to discuss rumors about classwork or school events without confirming with the teachers.
- Written conversations on social media apps inevitably do get back to the faculty and administration. Please think carefully before you write an unkind word or unresearched judgment.

We are happy to schedule conferences with you as needed. We hold parent-teacher conferences Monday through Thursday mornings at 7:30. Be aware that we always meet as a team.

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LOOKING FORWARD  
TO A SUCCESSFUL  
AND FUN YEAR!

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