

Welcome fifth graders! I am really looking forward to getting to know you and building a supportive learning community together. This will be my sixth year teaching 5th grade at MES. Prior to coming to MES, I taught 6th grade in Lewiston for 26 years. Mr. Whitney

and I have been married for 33 years and we love the outdoors especially hiking, snowmobiling, and paddle boarding. We are also BIG sports fans, especially hockey!

This is your final year of elementary school. One of my main goals is to help you build strong organizational and study skills. These habits are extremely important and will help you make a smooth transition to the middle school. To help you stay organized, there are a few school supplies I would like you to have to start the year.

composition style notebook for a science/social studies journal

1 subject spiral bound notebook for reading/writing journal

2-5 pencils

2 dry erase markers

Colored pencils (8-12 colors)

1 black sharpie marker

scissors

ear buds

water bottle

AND for our time capsule project - an empty coffee can with a lid.

A homework folder will be provided. If you are in need of an empty coffee can, Mrs. Norwood will have a few extras in the office you can come and get.

We will be using Seesaw to share updates again this year. If your family's email has changed, please let Mrs. Norwood know so she can update it. Invitations for families to join our Seesaw classroom will be going out as school begins.

I will be reading some great books this summer and I hope you will too. I can't wait to hear all about your summer adventures!

Love, Mrs. Whitney

