

Hey, fifth grader!

Welcome to Team Willow! We hope you are enjoying your summer as much as we are, spending time outside in the nice weather! Ms. Hird has been spending time working at a bakery and deli. In her free time, she has been swimming, paddle boarding, and boating on Lake Winnepesaukee, as well as renovating her house. Mrs. Labbe has been busy spending time and having fun with her husband and her son, who will be turning one soon!

WELCOME TO
5th GRADE!

Although summer break is super enjoyable, the start of a new school year gets us excited as well. It will be great to get back and see old friends, and just think of all the new friends you will get to meet this year! This is going to be a terrific fifth grade year. We already have some fun activities planned! Since we're a team, you'll get to work with both of us every day. You will be in one of our homerooms. Mrs. Labbe will be teaching Language Arts (L.A.), Ms. Hird will be teaching Science and Social Studies, and we will both be teaching Math.

Throughout the school year, you'll get to have classes with other teachers too! Some of the classes you'll get to have are Art, STEM, World Language, Music, P.E., and Health!

The **first day of school is Wednesday, August 30th**. Classes begin at 8:15am each day so you should plan to arrive at around 8:00am so you can get settled into our classrooms before morning announcements begin at 8:10am. Dismissal each day is at 3:00pm.

During our first few weeks of school, we'll show you around and give you tours of our building! You'll get to know us and your classmates, learn how to use your laptop, all the procedures, and our schedule. At the start of our school year, we will also agree upon some expectations that will allow us to have a spectacular school year together by having fun, working hard, making mistakes, and staying organized! We know you'll have a terrific fifth grade year.

The middle school is a new place for you, and your grownups at home play an important role in helping you get adjusted to the new environment and routine. We are going to work together to make sure you have a stellar year. Ask your grownups if they'd like to fill out the [Family Questionnaire](#) so can we begin to get to know you through their eyes and learn what their goals are for you for this school year.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and get ready to have a great start to your fifth-grade year and middle school career! We're so glad you're on our team!

— Ms. Hird and Mrs. Labbe



Meet and Greet

We'll be having a Meet and Greet on **Tuesday, August 29th** from **5:30 – 6:30 pm** at the middle school. This is a great opportunity for you to meet all of us and see the new school and your future classroom! We can't wait to meet you and your family!



School Supplies

- Pencils (LOTS of them!)
- Pencil cap erasers
- Plastic folders (see links)
- Fine tip dry erase ("Expo") markers (lots!!)
- When you get your laptop, you might want your own set of earbuds or headphones (they must have a *round* jack)



To help our class, you could bring in:

- A box of tissues
- Clorox wipes

Recommended
Folder Links:

[Red Folder](#)

[Yellow Folder](#)

[Green Folder](#)

[Blue Folder](#)

[Gray Folder](#)