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Dear Fourth Grade Parents/ Guardians

I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Tyinnia Bennett and I am honored to be your child's fourth grade teacher. I have been a part of the Pirie Family since 2012. I have always had a passion for working with children. I look forward to teaching your child and assisting him/her in their quest for knowledge.

We will have many wonderful experiences and opportunities to learn and grow in the days ahead. I am elated to be a part of your child's educational team. John T. Pirie is currently using the Common Core Learning Standards which I will implement in my daily lessons to prepare your child for college and career readiness.

Classroom Environment:

I believe in creating an environment that is conducive to learning. I will discuss the rules and my behavior expectations with all the students. I have very high expectations for the students; I encourage parents to become an active part of this educational journey. It is my goal to provide all students with an educational, challenging, yet fun experience in my classroom. Please make sure that your child gets plenty of rest every night to ensure that they are ready to learn with listening ears and an open mind.

Communication:

I believe that communication is the key to a great parent-teacher relationship. I encourage you to contact me via email if you have any questions or concerns at any time. I strongly urge you use the student planner to write notes or send information to me. I do require a parent signature each night in the planner so I know that parents are aware of homework assignments, class assignments and weekly behavior progress notes.

Homework:

Homework will be given in a homework packet on Monday, the packet will be collected on Thursday. The homework will be practice assignments used to reinforce the skills that were taught

in class that day. When children are not given homework they are still required to read for at least an hour and a parent or guardian must sign the planner. Late homework will not be accepted. I encourage parents to step-up at least an hour a night for homework and study time.

Supplies:

It is imperative that all students come prepared for class every day. I sent home a supply list just before summer break with detailed items of what your fourth grader will need for class. I encourage all parents to keep track of the supplies, and please replenish as needed.

Parent Signature_____

Sincerely,

Mrs. Tyinnia Bennett

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Supply list for Rm. 122

6 spiral notebooks or 5 subject notebook and 1(70) sheet notebook

200-- sheets of loose leaf notebook paper

8--two pocket folders

2--boxes of Kleenex

1--boxes of pencils

1--pack of black erasable pens

2--containers of wet wipes

100--large index cards

100--large colored index cards

markers

color pencils

large zip lock bags

medium size zip lock bags

colored highlighters

protractor

ruler