

Dear Parents,

We can all look forward to a very exciting and rewarding year. Again this year, the entire student body will be following "The Richards Way": **sharing, showing respect, and being responsible.**

In order to provide the students with the best climate to learn, the third grade teachers have developed discipline plans that will be in effect at all times in our classrooms. The plans are intended to provide guidelines for making behavioral choices. Rewards and consequences are based on their choices. The plan below is posted in our classroom.

Classroom Guidelines:

- 1. Follow directions the first time they are given.
- 2. Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself.
- 3. Raise hand to be called upon before speaking.
- 4. Call people by their names only.
- 5. Stay in your seat unless you have permission to get up.

All students will be given 10 tickets at the start of each month. Students are responsible for keeping track of his or her tickets (a container has been provided for this). **Lost or misplaced tickets will not be replaced until a new month begins.** Students will be asked to turn in a ticket if a guideline above is not followed. Receiving a school write-up will result in a loss of 5 tickets. <u>We have found that this system minimizes the amount of time spent on classroom management and disruptions</u>.

Daily Consequences:

Loss of more than one ticket per day could result in loss of recess time.

Reward:

Students with <u>at least one ticket</u> left at the end of the month will be able to pick between going to the **3rd Grade Reward Movie OR Indoor recess/free choice time.**

I have already discussed this plan with your child, but I would appreciate if you would review it with him/her.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely, The Third Grade Team