

Welcome to Middle School

5th - 8th

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8th Grade/Math

- ★ Bachelors in secondary mathematics instruction and a masters in differentiated instruction from Canisius College.
- ★ Taught Martial Arts for over 14 years
- ★ Director of a summer camp for students ranging in ages 4 to 12, for 14 years
- ★ This is my 7th year at St. John's
- ★ I have 5 sons- 3 attend St John's, 1 attends Bornhava, and other spends the day playing.



Things of Note

★ **Grades 6-8: flipped classroom**

- This means students are completing their notes at home and do not need to understand concepts perfectly before they come back to class. We will be practicing together and I will address their questions then.

★ **Google Classroom**

- ★ **Grade 5:** Operations with fractions and decimals (concepts, skills, and problem solving)
- ★ **Grade 6:** Ratios and proportional reasoning and begin expressions and equations
- ★ **Grade 7:** Ratios and proportional reasoning, arithmetic of rational numbers, and expressions/ equations
- ★ **Grade 8:** pre-algebra/ linear algebra
- ★ **Algebra:** Expressions, Equations, Quadratic Equations, Factoring expressions

Communication

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Students:

- ❑ Can email me
- ❑ Google classroom messages
(through an assignment)

I will do my best to respond within the next school day. During weekends or holidays, I will respond the next school day. It is difficult to respond during the school day.



Who am I?

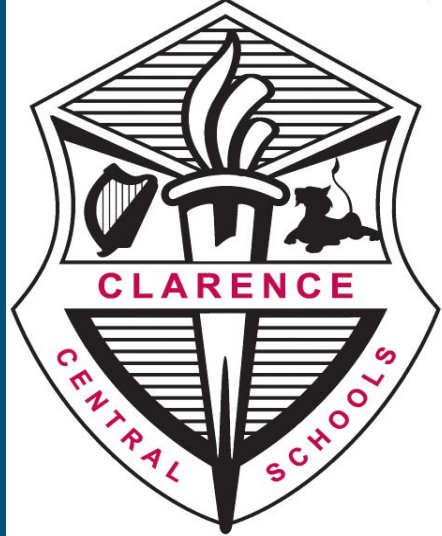


Zachary Yoder – Mr. Yoder





- B.A. History
 - Philosophy
 - Political Science
- MEd
 - Adolescence
 - Humanities



St. John's

- **2nd Year Here, 4th in Education**
 - **7th Grade Homeroom & Religion**
 - Spirit of Truth Curriculum – Sophia Institute
 - **Middle School Social Studies**
 - 5th Grade → World Geography & Prehistory
 - 6th Grade → History & Geography of the Ancient World
 - 7th Grade → Continued & History of the United States & New York I
 - 8th Grade → History of the United States & New York II
 - **Middle School Bible Study**
 - Salvation History and the Biblical Narrative



Classroom Philosophy

- The Golden Rule
 - Treat others as you want to be treated (Matthew 7:12).
 - I expect my students to be **polite** and **attentive**.

- Critical Engagement
 - First consider the big idea and then ask important questions including: Who? What? When? Where? How? And **Why?**
- **Faith-based reasoning.**

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Miss. Katie Corp

Welcome to science!!

- LE MOYNE COLLEGE '21
- 3RD YEAR AT ST. JOHNS
- 7TH YEAR IN SCHOOLS





Teaching Philosophy

"TEACHING THE MIND WITHOUT THE HEART IS NO EDUCATION
AT ALL" - ARISTOTLE

- Get to know students, help them to find what THEY are good at
- Struggling to focus does not make you a bad student- Empathy
- Everyone can learn with the right inputs and supports. My job is to find out what those inputs and supports are for each student

Year at a Glance

- 5TH GRADE

- MATTER
- FLOW OF ENERGY/MATTER IN ECOSYSTEMS
- EARTH'S SYSTEMS
- SPACE

- 7TH GRADE

- PHYSICAL SCIENCE: CHEMISTRY, ENERGY, FORCES

- 6TH GRADE

- EARTH SCIENCE: SPACE, GEOLOGY, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

- 8TH GRADE

- LIFE SCIENCE: CELLS, INTERACTIONS IN ECOSYSTEMS, REPRODUCTION



A Few Things to Note

- SCIENCE:
 - HOMEWORK WILL BE WHAT WE DON'T FINISH IN CLASS
 - 5TH GRADE PUBERTY
 - 8TH GRADE REPRODUCTION/BODY PARTS
- RELIGION:
 - NEW CHAPTER EACH WEEK W/PACKETS
 - QUIZ EVERY FRIDAY
 - HOMEWORK EVERY WEEK DUE FRIDAY

Want to Talk???

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WELCOME to My Class

About Me

- Graduated from Niagara University
- Taught preschool before living in Dubai for a time
- Have two children Naomi 13 and Vincent 10
- ELA teacher for 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade
- 6th grade homeroom teacher and religion teacher

Quote:

"Every child deserves a champion; an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection and insists that they become the best they can possibly be."—Educator Rita Pierson

Year At-a-Glance

First Quarter

- Grammar Review
- Elements of Fiction
- Thesis statement

Second Quarter

- Sentence Structure
- Short Stories

Third Quarter

- Point of View
- Poetry

Fourth Quarter

- Analyzing Text

How to Succeed in this Class

1. **ASK** questions.
2. **USE THE RESOURCES** I provide--especially on my class webpage.
3. **DO YOUR BEST.** I will give you my best effort every day. I expect you to do the same.
4. **THINK FOR YOURSELF.** Don't be afraid to make mistakes.
5. **RESPECT** yourself, your classmates, me, and the classroom.

Novels/Informational Text This Year

5th: "Rules", "Most Beautiful Roof", "Esperanza Rising"

6th: "Flush", "World Without Fish", "Percy Jackson"

7th: "Wednesday Wars", "A Long Walk to Water", "The Boy in Striped PJs"

Homework/ Assignments

1. **Homework is to be completed independently.**
Please monitor kids writing for plagiarism and use of AI is strictly prohibited.



Digital Resources

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Google Classroom link will be assigned in class.

Learning Labs

- ★ Each class has learning labs throughout the week.
- ★ This is time for enrichment/ support/ intervention/ Organization

News for this YEAR...

- ★ PROGRESS REPORTS:
 - at 5 weeks- ALL students will receive one
 - 2nd-4th quarters- as needed
 - These can be positive or works in progress
- ★ Parent portal: see your child's grades online...Set yours up today!
- ★ Parent Teacher Conferences:
 - Please sign up for which day you prefer.
 - November 13- 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm
 - November 14- 8:00 am to 12:00 pm
- ★ Holiday Parties: Some will be celebrations split by homeroom. Others will be collaborative celebrations. We will reach out prior to each celebration with more information.

— We are looking forward to an
amazing year with
you & your children!

Thank you!
And
Enjoy the rest of your evening!