



Mrs. Norris  
Ms. Byrd

Classroom News ~ Room 106 ~  
Patrol 6  
Summit Academy ~ Akron Elementary  
2011 - 2012

Welcome to Mrs. Norris and Ms. Byrd's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade class!!

#### Meet your Teachers!

I grew up on a farm raising beef cows and participating in 4H activities at the fair. I am a YSU graduate, with a Bachelors in Education (grades 1 - 8). I received my Masters in Education from AIU with a focus on Educational Tech and Curriculum Development. I have been teaching for 12 years, 7 of which has been with Summit Academy. My passion is teaching children with special needs and I love the daily challenge of connecting with a child and seeing them turn into people who love learning.

~Mrs. Norris

I grew up in a military family and have lived all over the United States. I have several associate degrees and am currently enrolled in Ashford U getting my Bachelor's in Educational Arts and Behavior Management. In my spare time, I am co-leader for a Girl Scout troop and enjoy taking the girls camping, hiking, and exploring nature. My passion is teaching children how to discover their learning style and be successful academically and personally.

~Ms. Byrd

#### Things we need...

Dry erase markers and erasers  
#2 pencils  
Paper towels  
Tissues  
Loose leaf paper  
Clorox wipes  
Paper plates

We understand that the school day can become long with a grumbling belly. There is quite a bit of time between breakfast and lunch and do not mind giving the students a snack. However, we are promoting healthy choices and would like the following snack to be supplied:

Goldfish crackers (plain)  
Triscuit Crackers  
Pretzels (plain)  
Carrot sticks  
Celery  
Cheese sticks or cubes  
Apples  
Grapes  
Bananas

We also understand if you cannot afford to supply a snack to share with the class. Please know that your child will NOT be left out of snack time.

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classroom magazine subscription

We are asking for your help in providing your child with a subscription to Scholastic Math. The subscription will cost \$8 for the entire school year.

Scholastic Classroom Math magazine provides age-appropriate, engaging reading material for your child. They also include skill-building activities that help reinforce essential lessons.

We appreciate your help in bringing this resource into your child's classroom.

**Would you also like to sponsor a classmate whose family may not be able to afford his or her own student subscription?** Your generosity will ensure that every student in your child's class has individual copies of the magazine to use all year long. If you choose to sponsor a student, please add this amount to your total cost.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Norris/Ms. Byrd

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Please return this to me with your response.

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Student's Name

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Amount Enclosed

**CLASSROOM THEME**

This year, our classroom theme is based on Finklehopper Frog and being proud of who we are. Our theme is focused on poetry and this book does a beautiful job of showing the students how to write and rhyme.

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**SCHOLASTIC BOOKS**

We will be sending home Scholastic Book Order forms once a month. You have the option to purchase books through Ms. Byrd or buy online. If you choose to buy online, please enter the code **HCJYV** to ensure our class gets credit to purchase free books and materials.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the school and schedule an appointment to visit with us or email us at any time.

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