

Dear Parents:

Hi, my name is Greg Suhayda, and I am your child's fifth-grade teacher for the upcoming school year. You and I will be spending more time with your child in the next nine months than any other person. My wife Nikki and I are blessed to have two children who keep us busy. Olivia is 20 and Dominic is 17. They both like being outside, swimming, and spending time with family. In my free time, I am usually doing activities with my kids, and I also enjoy watching all sports. I enjoy football, basketball, and playing golf. This year should be a very exciting as well as an important one. I look forward to not only working with your son or daughter but also with you. You are the most important person in your child's life, and we need to work together for your child's benefit. I need you to support my academic, homework, and discipline efforts, and I will keep you informed about your child's progress. I believe education is a self-fulfilling prophecy, meaning that children tend to meet the expectations set for them, whether they are high or low expectations. I believe in setting high expectations for my students, and because of that, this year will be very challenging at times for your son or daughter.

With school and home working together, the students will be guaranteed of having a wonderful year. All I ask of my students is that they give me their very best effort in all of their schoolwork, and as long as they do that, they can be proud of what they accomplish.

Please also feel free to contact me anytime you have a question or concern about your child or my classroom. The best way to contact me is by e-mail because I can respond quickly. My email address at school is gsuhayda@centralvalleysd.net

If you have one, please write it on one of the forms you will be sending back, or just send me a quick email, and I will hold on to your address - I would appreciate it. You can also call me at the school, and I will get back to you as soon as I can, although it is sometimes harder to find time during the busy school day to respond immediately. I look forward to meeting you soon and wish you the best.

Sincerely, Mr. Gregory Suhayda gsuhayda@centralvalleysd.net