Dear Families,

A new school year has begun!. I would like to take this chance to introduce myself and welcome you to my classroom. This is going to be an interesting year. I anticipate many changes and flexibility is going to be the name of the game as we navigate through another year with COVID-19. Please feel free to contact me anytime if something comes up. My email address is as follows:

[jason.ladegard@lebanonct.org](mailto:jason.ladegard@lebanonct.org)

This is the quickest and easiest way to get a hold of me.

You may also email me by going to the Lebanon Elementary School website. Click on the Faculty button and scroll down to third grade. There will be a button with my name on it. Click it, and you will be able to email me. Email is the best way to get a hold of me as I check it periodically throughout the day.

You can also get in contact with me by phone. You can leave me a voicemail message, and I’ll get back to you as soon as possible. The number is 860-642-5781. I check my voicemail in the morning and before leaving the school each day.

I also have a web page where you can obtain this information and see upcoming events, see the monthly newsletter, as well as other helpful resources. I will try to update the site monthly. It will also contain photos of the class, but will never include the students’ names or our room number. A permission slip will be coming home with this letter asking for permission to use your child’s photo for display in the room and/or on the webpage. You can see the webpage at <http://mrladegardthirdgrade.weebly.com>

The first couple of weeks will be your child’s chance to become familiar with the procedures of our classroom, a new group of children, and myself.

Our Special Schedule is the following:

**Monday - Physical Education (P.E.)**

**Tuesday – Technology**

**Wednesday – Art**

**Thursday – Music**

**Friday –** **Library**

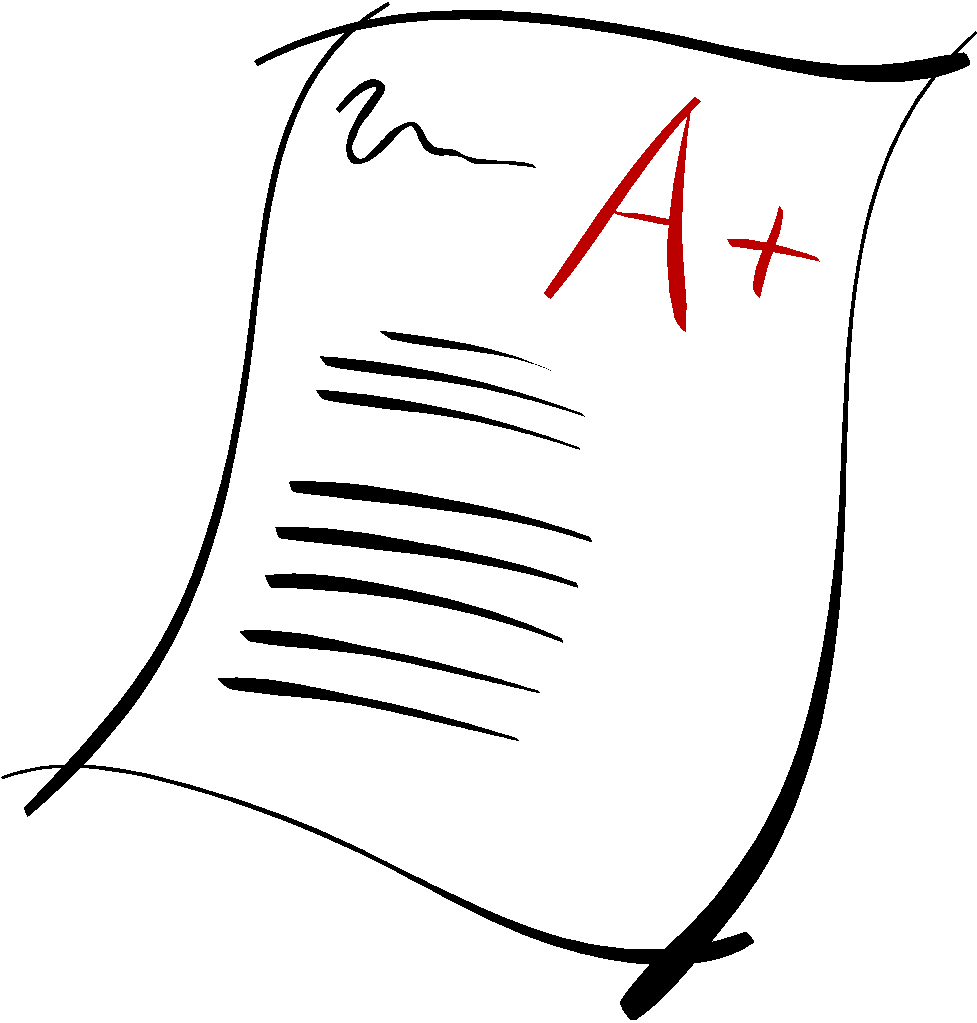
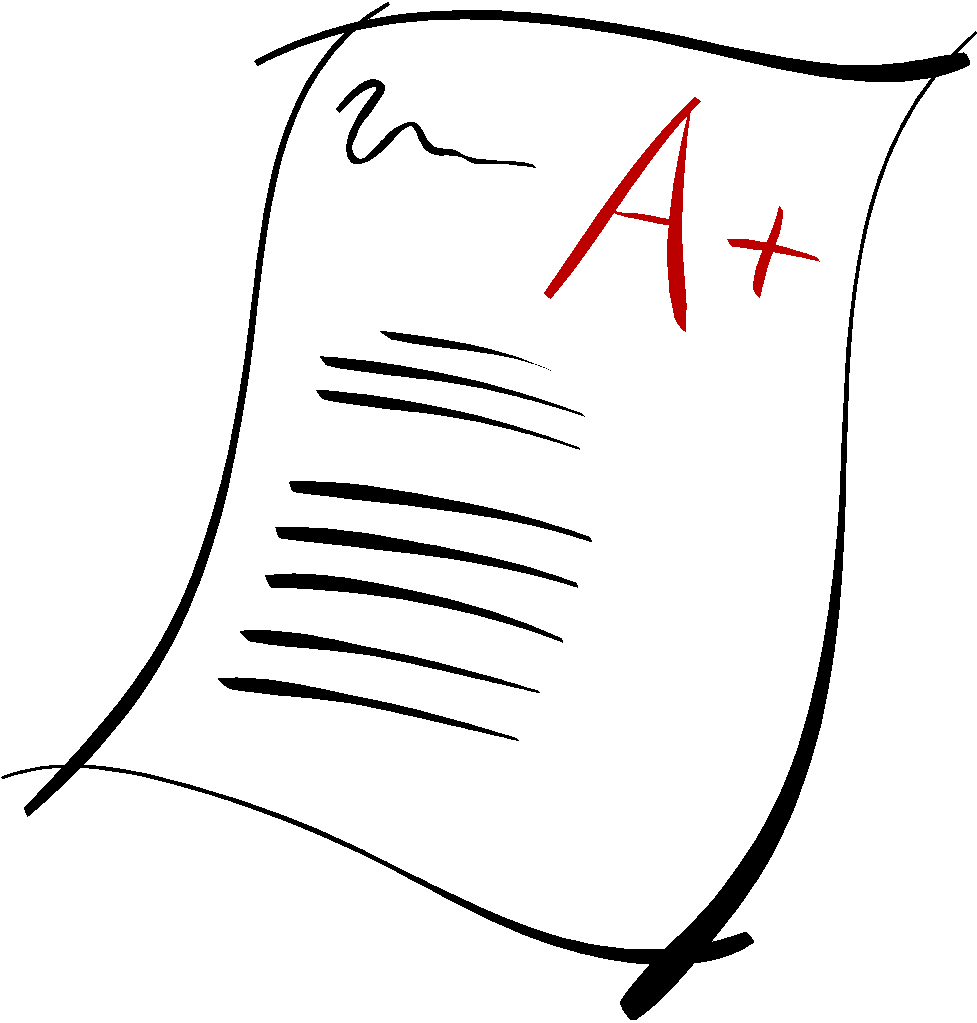
On **Wednesdays,** your child will have Morning Activities at 8:35 to 9:00, so please send them into school with **sneakers**.

I look forward to an amazing school year and a chance to meet all of you.

Sincerely,

Jason Ladegard

***(My Grading Information is on the back of this letter)***

Mr. Ladegard’s Grading System

**My grading system for the most part consists of numerical averages, but there are times when I’ll use letter grades and rubrics.**

**Check System:**

 Means they did it and understood it but may have some minor mistakes.

+ Means they understood it and got them all right with no help

**-** Means that they are struggling with the concept, but are getting close to understanding it

+ Means they understand the concept and quality of work is excellent

**-** means they don’t understand the concept or didn’t complete the assignment

**I will also use letter grades that correspond to the report letters for certain projects.**

**E** = *Exceeds Standard*

**M** = *Meets Standard*

**P** = *Progressing Towards Meeting Standard*

**L** = *Limited Progress Towards Meeting Standard*