



Room Parent Guide  
TCA North Elementary  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Please use the events as a guideline to the sixth grade school events. It is important to contact your classroom teacher to see what the classroom's needs are for each event; some events may require food or parent volunteers, while others may not. These descriptions come from past year events and how they were implemented – teachers may feel the need to alter some of the activities.

## **Sixth Grade Events**

### **Field Trips**

Field Trips will be coordinated by your classroom teacher. Here is a tentative list

Ocean Journey (October or April)

Planetarium (May)

### **Team Building (September)**

This is a series of team building activities that take place on Fridays throughout the month of September. Such activities include tasks that require the children to work together to end in a successful result. Team building allows the children to get acquainted with each other and to start forming inter-personal communication skills as they relate to a team environment. Check with your teacher for specific dates and to see if they need any help.

### **Grandparent's Day (September)**

Coordinate with your teacher any anticipated needs for this day. It is often nice to have one or two parent volunteers in the classroom to help with escorting grandparents (often they may need to use the elevator vs. the stairs), providing coffee/tea to them, answering questions. Send a class email as required. Note: The school caters a brunch to the grandparents on this day – classes need not bring food!

### **Field Day (September)**

If you have been a room parent in previous years and have dreaded the gathering of the field day shirt events – you will be pleasantly surprised in sixth grade. The teacher will send a note home to all parents describing the price of the shirt and asking for the child’s size. The teacher will collect this information and provide it to the RPL for sixth grade. The RPL will then drop off all monies, designs, and shirt requests to the “Shirt Guy.” The RPL will pick up the shirts when ready and distribute them to the classes.

Field Day does require a lot of parent volunteer as it is a 4th-6th grade school wide half day event of outdoor games and fitness fun. The front office usually coordinates the signups for this event and will work with the RPLs and room parents to help spread the word.

### **Thanksgiving (November)**

Talk to your teacher about what they would like to do for Thanksgiving celebration. Don’t let time sneak up on you – send out your signup sheets early!

### **Greek/Roman Day (December)**

This day allows your child the opportunity to dress up as a Greek or Roman character and then learn about their culture through a series of fun activities. Coordinate with your teacher for any food needs and volunteer needs that they may have for this event.

### **Holiday Party (December)**

Coordinate with your teacher to see if they would like “Holiday Party” before the holiday break. Remember December is a short month so send your emails out early.

### **Valentine's Day (February)**

Everyone loves a Valentine. Coordinate with your teacher the date and time for this event. Also coordinate any activity they may like planned – in the past they have made cards for a senior citizen home! Remember to send a list of the student's names for the Valentine's day exchange – don't forget the teacher and tutor!

### **Pi Day (March)**

Everyone at TCA knows that Pi Day means "Pie Day." Coordinate with your teacher as to what pies they would like to have parents volunteer to bring on this special day. Also, a volunteer or 2 is helpful on this day to serve and to help with activities (they are really useful if they know what pi is and how to use it – previous knowledge is not required)!

### **Last Recess (May)**

It's hard to believe your child will be going into seventh grade next year. As a final tribute to them they will be provided one "Last Recess." Your RPL will leading this activity and will contact you regarding help with this event. In the past it has worked well assigning one class to one portion of the event. Mrs. Shevland is the main contact for this event.

### **Teacher/Tutor Birthdays**

It is always nice to recognize a teacher/tutor on their birthday. Check early to see when your teacher's birthday is – in the past sixth grade has had a teacher with an August and a September birthday! This activity is entirely up to the discretion of the room parent!