



Dear Families,

I'm excited to invite you to partner with me to support your child's learning! Our school is participating in a new text message program called FASTalk (Families and Schools Talk) from Family Engagement Lab, a nonprofit. Each week, I will send three text messages with easy tips to help your child's reading and writing at home. These fun activities directly support the knowledge and skills your child is learning in the classroom.

Here's a quick look at the type of messages you will receive:

Three example text messages are shown in speech bubbles on a light blue background:

- Message 1:** Your child is prepping for a debate about the American Revolution. Let them be the "teacher" & ask them to teach you something they learned.
- Message 2:** Putting what they learned in their own words helps your child retain new info. Respond by paraphrasing: "I hear you saying that..."
- Message 3:** I value your feedback! Please let me know if you tried this week's activity. Reply: 1: yes 2: not yet

All you need to participate is:

- a completed parent permission form (see next page) and
- a cell phone!

You can also reply and send text messages to me through FASTalk in your preferred language.

Your phone number and personal information will never be shared. While there is no cost to sign up, data & message rates may apply. If you want to unsubscribe, you can text **'STOP'** at any time.

Thank you!

Please sign me up for !

To sign up for FASTalk text messages, I understand that the following information must be shared with Family Engagement Lab, a nonprofit organization:

- Your name
- Your Cell phone number
- Your preferred language
- Child's name
- Child's grade level
- Child's assigned teacher

I give permission to share my child's personal information listed above to Family Engagement Lab for the purposes stated above. Family Engagement Lab will maintain the confidentiality of my student's personally identifiable information in accordance with law.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Parent/Legal Guardian's Full Name
(please print)

(___ ___) ___ ___ - ___ ___ ___
My Cell Phone Number

My preferred language

My Child's full name (please print)

My Child's Grade

Name of my Child's ELA teacher

**Please sign and return this form to your child's
teacher! Thank you!**