



**First Grade is a big adjustment for students. The expectations in first grade are quite different than Kindergarten. Please DO NOT be alarmed if your child comes home with a few YELLOW (or even RED) lights at the beginning of the school year. It will take a while for him or her to become acclimated with our classroom rules and expectations. Please help your child understand the importance of following our classroom rules and striving to do their best each and every day at school.**

These are used when a student is not following our classroom rules, the school rules, or is simply exhibiting inappropriate behavior during the day.

**First Offense (verbal warning):** I will discuss the offense with the student and explain that this is his or her first warning. Stoplight color will stay on green.

**Second Offense (move name to yellow light):** Again, I will discuss the offense with the student and explain that he or she has already received a warning. The student moves his or her name to yellow and loses five minutes of recess time or another privilege directly related to the offense.

**Third Offense (move name to red):** The student moves his or her name to red. He or she will lose all of recess time or other privilege directly related to the offense. They will color their stoplight red.

Repeated Offenses:

- If a child receives two red lights in one week, I will send home a “Sad Note ☹” that will explain his or her behavior. This must be signed by the parent and returned to school.
- If a child receives three red lights in one week, I will contact the parents by phone to discuss the problem.
- After a fourth red light is received in one week, the child will be referred to the principal for further action in the matter.

Rule #1 – Follow Directions Quickly

Rule #3 – Make Smart Choices

Rule #2 – Raise Your Hand to Speak

Rule #4 – Respect Yourself, Others and the School