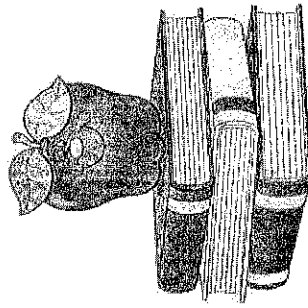


A Guide for First Grade Parents



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Congratulations on
completing Kindergarten!
We are looking forward to
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General Supplies Needed

Put your child's name on
everything.

- ~Buy a large roll of clear contact paper over the summer
- ~All school workbooks, notebook & folders sent home need to be covered with clear contact paper by the 2nd Monday of school
- ~6 **sharpened** regular no. 2 pencils ready for use on the 1st day
- ~1 **soft** zippered pencil case to fit all supplies
 - ~1 pair of scissors
 - ~2 glue sticks
 - ~2 pack of 16 crayons
 - ~4 Expo White Board markers with child's name (any color)
 - ~1 ream of "8 1/2 x11" white paper
 - ~1 box of 250 tissues
 - ~1 container Clorox wipes
 - ~1 yellow plastic clip folder
 - ~1 blue plastic clip folder
 - ~1 red two pocket plastic folder
 - ~Foldable placemat or cloth napkin to be kept in the lunchbox
 - ~Hand sanitizer for lunchbox
 - ~1 set of headphones labeled with name in an appropriate sized Ziploc bag (We have Chromebook 2, 3.5 mm)
 - ~addition and subtraction flash cards for facts through 10 or 12
 - ~Chromebook case w/handle
 - ~ **No** mechanical pencils, rulers, colored pencils, or pencil sharpeners

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Reminders:

Students should read 10 books with an adult. Be sure to fill out the reading log to be turned in the first day of school. This is a great way to retain what was learned in kindergarten. Setting aside a daily special time to encourage learning will help prepare your child for first grade.

We love meeting parents at the Back-to School Meeting, so please make plans to attend. It is a wonderful way to begin the school year. We will provide you with important information about life in first grade. Check the SUS website for the date and time.

Return all completed work and the reading log on the first day of first grade in order to receive credit for your work.

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Welcome to 1st Grade

First grade is an exciting time because the children learn and grow so much. We love to watch them grow. To help ease the transition into first grade, we strongly recommend reviewing all skills mastered in kindergarten.

Please see Summer Work email for additional required summer work.

~ Reading words from the
Kindergarten Sight Words List

~ Reading words from the
Decodable Words list

~ Identifying all letters in and out of sequence, and recognize the consonant sounds and short vowel sounds.

~ Writing neatly the uppercase and lowercase letters both in and out of sequence.

~ Spelling and neatly writing your first and last name without copying.

~ Following a sequence of three oral directions.

~ Cutting accurately

~ Use manners appropriately.

Open the World of Reading to Your Child

It is very important to expose your child to books. Try to read to your child regularly and have your child follow along as you read. When your child knows the words have your child read with you. Here are a few things you can do while you are reading.

~ Prior to reading, have your child tell the story from the pictures/photos.

~ Ask questions about the story as you read. Have your child answer in complete sentences.

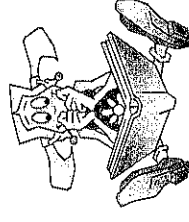
~ Help your child make predictions.

~ Have your child change the ending of the story.

~ Ask your child to retell the story in his/her own words.

Happy reading!

The First Grade Teachers



~ Sitting quietly and listening without interrupting for ten minutes.

~ Coloring within boundaries.

~ Playing board games with your child.

~ **Tying shoelaces**, buckling, buttoning, and zipping.

~ Please check our website.

Math Review

~ Identify and write numerals 0 to 30

~ Use fingers to show random groups of 8, 5, 7, 2, 9, 10, 1, 4, 9, 3, 6

~ Recognize groups of objects up to 5 without counting. (Hold up fingers.)

~ Identify dots on a ten frame

~ Count to 30

~ Count back from 15

~ Recognize a penny, a nickel, and a dime as well as their value.

~ Name and extend a pattern of 3 or 4 items

~ Identify basic shapes - triangle, circle, square, rectangle