

Dear First Grader and Family,



Hi! My name is Mrs. Nephew and I am excited to be your first grade teacher this year. It is going to be a year full of fun, learning, and many adventures!

Let me tell you a little about myself. I grew up in Grand Rapids and currently live in Rockford with my husband Eric, our 11-year-old son Logan, and our 9-year-old son Gavin. I graduated from Michigan State University and completed my Master's degree in Reading Instruction from Grand Valley. I am excited to begin my 18th year teaching! I spent my first year in Kindergarten and the last 17 years in first grade at Northview.

Over the summer, I have been very busy getting our classroom ready, reading family chapter books and enjoying the sunshine! When I have some free time, I love working in my garden, playing with our cats (Thunder and Lightning) and turtle (Zipson), camping and spending time with my friends and family. I cannot wait to get to know you and find out what you have been doing all summer!

Below is a list of suggested supplies for first grade. Thank you so much for helping provide materials needed for both your child and our classroom this year. Our class and I really appreciate your support!

First Grade Suggested Supply List

1. **Backpack**-labeled with your child's name
2. **Reusable water bottle**- labeled with your child's name
3. **2 black Expo brand dry erase markers**
4. **Pencil box**-labeled with your child's name
5. **Pencils**- at least a 12 pack
6. **1 box of tissues**
7. **8-24 pack of Twistable crayons**- 2 packs
8. **Headphones (not earbuds) for Chromebook**- in a zip lock bag or container-
out of original package and labeled with your child's name for safety and storage



Teaching is an absolute passion of mine! I am very excited to be working together with you to help your child succeed in first grade. You will be amazed at how much your child will grow academically, socially, emotionally and physically this year. Take a few moments everyday to find out what he or she is learning. As we prepare students for second grade, there are many new and exciting learning

opportunities. Anytime you have questions, comments or concerns feel free to email me, call me, or send a note to school. It is important to keep communication open between us to help your child succeed. I look forward to a great year together!

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Please continue to check your email regularly for updates from Northview, West Oakview, and myself as we prepare for the first day of school.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and I look forward to working together to help your first grader grow this coming school year!

Lisa Nephew

