



Dear students and families,

Welcome to 4<sup>th</sup> grade! I hope you have been enjoying your summer. I can't believe it is almost time for our year to begin! Our year is going to be an adventure! I am so excited to get to know you and spend this year learning together. You will have many special opportunities as a 4<sup>th</sup> grader to learn new things, make new friends and have new responsibilities in our school

My name is Leah Pietrusza and I am going to be your teacher this year. I am so glad to have you in my class. I am so excited to meet you all and get to know you! Here is a little bit about me...

I have lived in Grand Rapids all of my life. I attended GRCC and Ferris State University. I have been teaching at West Oakview for eight years, this will be my seventh year in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. I LOVE it☺ I have three sons. One is a senior at Rockford High School, my oldest is at GRCC., and my newest little guy just turned 1!! In my free time I love to read, garden, and spend time outdoors☺

I am eager to meet you and your family at our Open House. Please be on the lookout for information regarding the time. During the open house, you and your special guest(s) (mom, dad, stepmom, stepdad, grandma, grandpa, etc.) will get a chance to get a "sneak peek" of your classroom, meet some of your classmates and your teacher!

Please see the back of this page for a list of suggested items for next year. If you are able, please bring these items with you to our Open House so that you can put them away to be ready for the first day of school. *You may want to write your name on these things before bringing them to school.*

Feel free to email me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Ms. Leah Pietrusza [lpietrusza@nvps.net](mailto:lpietrusza@nvps.net)

## Individual Supplies

- ✎ 1 pair of scissors
- ✎ 1 package of colored pencils (12ct) -  
NO LARGER PLEASE
- ✎ 1 (1/2) inch 3 ring binder
- ✎ 1 composition book
- ✎ 4 (1) subject notebooks
- ✎ 1 (2) pocket folder
- ✎ pencil case
- ✎ head phones
- ✎ water bottle

## Classroom Donations/ Community Supplies

- ✎ Kleenex
- ✎ pencils
- ✎ glue sticks
- ✎ Clear glue
- ✎ Post its-any size or color
- ✎ Disinfectant Wipes
- ✎ Expo markers
- ✎ Highlighters
- ✎ Large notecards
- ✎ markers
- ✎ band aids
- ✎ paper plates
- ✎ lined paper