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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Kindergarten! I hope that you had a relaxing summer vacation. I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you. My name is Mrs. Jennifer Nielsen. I have been teaching special education in Middle Country for the past 30 years. I am extremely excited to be teaching Kindergarten again this year at Bicycle Path. I am looking forward to a productive school year and getting to know both you and your child. My goal is for each student to develop to their fullest potential in an interesting and stimulating environment.

I sincerely feel that parents are the most important people in a child's life and I am anxious to work together with you for the benefit of your child. In saying that, I would like for you to express to me your child's needs and your expectations for this school year. Please **write me a letter** telling me all about your child, include any important information that you think will be helpful when working with your child this year. You can tell me about their preschool experience, behaviors at home, social skills with friends, and areas of weakness that you would like to see worked on. You can handwrite the letter or email me the letter at jnielsen@mccsd.net

Another one of my goals for this school year is to maintain open communication regarding your child's progress and behavior at home and at school. Each student will use 1 composition notebook as a "Communication Notebook". We will use this notebook throughout the year to keep in touch and share our thoughts and/or concerns. Please look for this notebook to be sent home every day. Also, watch for information on the ClassDojo(online/app) and Red & Green Choices to follow shortly.

I feel that it is important for teachers and parents to work together to help your child succeed. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have. I can be contacted via email at jnielsen@mccsd.net or by phone at 285-8800. Please leave a message with the secretary and I will return your call as soon as possible. I want to thank you in advance for your concern and support. I truly look forward to meeting you.



Cordially,

Mrs. Nielsen

K101 Supply List for Kindergarten

1. Backpack (large enough to fit a folder & books)
2. Lunch box
3. 10 large glue sticks
4. 1 pair of scissors, blunt tip (fiskars are great)
5. 1 box of 8 Large size crayons
6. 1 box of 24 count Crayola crayons
7. 3 2-pocket plastic folders with pockets on the bottom
8. 1 change of clothes labeled in a zip loc bag
9. 1 plastic pencil box (5 ½ X 8 X 2)
10. 2 marble composition notebooks
11. 1 1 ½ inch binders, hard not soft
12. 4 highlighters (any color)
13. 1 extra marble notebook if your child has speech
14. 1 clipboard
15. Headphones to leave in school for Chromebooks
16. Refillable water bottle

Please label all items with your child's name.**