Incoming Transitional Kindergarten Reading List for the 2026-27 school year

Required:

Our Class is a Family – April 7, 2020

by Shannon Olsen (Author), Sandie Sonke (Illustrator)



With its heartfelt message and colorfully whimsical illustrations, “Our Class is a Family” is a book that will help build and strengthen our class community. Our students will learn that their classroom is a place where it’s safe to be themselves, it’s okay to make mistakes, and it’s important to be a friend to others. When hearing this story being read aloud by you and me, our students are sure to feel like they are part of a special family.

Suggested:

Our School is a Family – March 12, 2023

by Shannon Olsen (Author), Sandie Sonke (Illustrator)



“Our School is a Family” is a book that will help our students feel extra safe, loved, and supported in their learning environment, beyond our TK classroom. Throughout the pages, TK will feel encouraged to form positive relationships with the various members of their school community, from the front desk staff to the Specials teachers, the many people who help us daily in the Dining Commons as well as parent volunteers. Students may also be inspired to show them extra appreciation, and to find ways that they themselves can be helpers at school too. It really does take a village!