

2026-2027

Dear families,

Welcome (or welcome back) to our classroom! I wanted to get ahead of things and make sure everyone had some information for next school year before we go home to enjoy our summer breaks.

For those who do not know me, I am Ms. Sophie and I teach the multiple disabilities levels 3rd-6th grade. Next school year will be my 7th year teaching. I actually attended Dater Montessori for elementary school myself!

We are right across the hall from Ms. Heather's classroom, so for our incoming 3rd graders, I already know them fairly well and they see me everyday.

For the 2026-2027 school year, we will have Ms. Hannah as a our classroom para, along with three 1:1 paras. We are so lucky that they are a part of our community.

Our classroom has a strong focus on building independence, self-regulation skills, and communication skills. We follow a structured routine, but still make room to have fun!

Attached to this letter you will find a supply list for next year, as well as a policy sheet/FAQs. Please look over the policy sheet this summer and return it signed on the first day of school in August.

I hope everyone has a wonderful and safe summer. I am looking forward to seeing you all back in August.

Warm regards,

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Supply List

Every child should have:

Backpack

Reusable water bottle

Headphones (wired, over the ear, not bluetooth)

Diapers/wipes if needed

Change of clothes just in case

Donations are greatly appreciated:

Tissues

Cleaning wipes

Snacks (pretzels, crackers, granola bars, fruit snacks, etc)

Thermal laminating sheets

Velcro dots and strips

Kroger bags

Gluesticks

Dry erase markers

Markers

FAQ/Policy Sheet

1. What time is drop off and pickup?

- Students may be dropped off between 8:40-9:10. If you bring your child earlier than 8:40, they will not be let in until 8:40. After 9:10, students need to be taken to the office by whoever is dropping them off to get a tardy slip.
- Pickup is between 3:20-4:00. If you are not able to make it by 4:00, please let us know, and your child will wait in the office with admin or security.

2. What if my child will be absent?

- If your child is going to be absent, please call the attendance line 513-363-0900 and leave a message. You can also let me know via a message or phone call. If you do not call the attendance line or let me know, the absence will be marked as unexcused.
- Please, do not send your child to school if they are sick. We have some vulnerable students in our classroom and want to avoid spreading sickness.

3. What do grades look like?

- I do participation grades. So usually all students will receive A's because as long as they are participating and trying their best, that counts.
- Their progress reports are a much more important and accurate representation of how they are doing. These are sent home at midterms and quarters.

4. What does discipline look like?

- Discipline in our classroom is considered on a highly individual basis. Since our students have such diverse needs, we will communicate with you as a parent if consequences or strategies need to be implemented.

5. Do you have snacktime?

- Yes, we do have snacktime. You are welcome to send a snack daily for your child. We also have snacks in the classroom. However, donations are appreciated because we do go through them quickly, and then the rest of the snacks come from our own pockets!

6. What happens in the event of a discipline issue?

- Discipline/behavior management issues in our classroom are dealt with on a very individual basis since our students have wide range of needs. With any serious issues, we will let you know and work with you to determine interventions/consequences.

7. How does communication work?

- The best way for us to communicate is through the app Class Dojo. Please please download it! I will frequently post announcements on there and it can also be used for direct messaging which is the best way to get me a quick message. During the school day, you can reach us at 513-363-0973. You can also reach me at my email, grantso@cpsboe.k12.oh.us

FAQ/Policy Signature Page

Student name: _____

Parent/Gaurdian name(s): _____

Parent/Gaurdian phone number(s): _____

Parent/Gaurdian email(s): _____

I have read the policy sheet and understand the classroom policies and procedures.

Signature

Date