

Dear 1st Grade Families,

My name is Mrs. Hildebrand and I will be your child's teacher this year. I am so excited about the upcoming school year! I've heard nothing but wonderful things about the Kindergarteners moving up. First grade will be filled with many new and exciting experiences. I look forward to working with your family and I anticipate a great year of teaching and learning.

In the fall, Perkins will host our annual "Open House". At this time, I will discuss the 1st grade academic program and my goals and expectations for the year. I encourage you to attend this special evening. Most importantly, have your child read to you every day! The number one indicator of whether children will be successful in school is having parents that read aloud to them and model reading in the home.

Helpful skills beginning 1st graders should be able to do independently:

1. recognize all letter names and sounds
2. read basic Kindergarten High Frequency Words
3. recognize numbers up to 20
4. count groups of objects up to 20
5. write their name correctly using a capital first letter, followed by all lowercase letters

School Supply List

The following is a list of school supplies the students will be using this year. Any way that you can help support our classroom will be greatly appreciated and I will make sure every student has the necessary materials to ensure a successful year!

- * 1- backpack 🎒
- * 1- pair of headphones 🎧 with cord labeled with your child's name (no earbuds or wireless headphones please)
- * 1- REUSABLE water bottle 🥤 labeled with your child's name
- * 1- PLASTIC folder 📁 with 3 prongs AND pockets... any color or design. ☺ I will provide a name label.
- * Sign-Up to spoil our class with books 📖 one month using the website below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COE4CADA822AAF85-64387466-spoil>

Below are a few household items that will be used during the year. If you can pick up one or two of these items to send in with your supplies, that would be GREAT!

- * Clorox Wipes
- * Hand Sanitizer...Purell with ALOE (the green kind) is the best...doesn't dry out our hands 🙌 or smell bad either!! 😊
- * Kleenex 🧻
- * Bags of individually wrapped candy 🍬 for classwork incentives (Lifesavers, Starbursts, Hersey Kisses, Smarties, Lollipops 🍭, Freezer Pops, Skittles, M&M's, miniature sized candy bars)