



Mrs. Jennifer Seaman
First Grade
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Welcome to First Grade! I am so excited to be your child's teacher this year. I have a Bachelor's Degree in Family and Child Sciences from Florida State University and I am certified through the Department of Education to teach PreK 3 - Grade 3. My teaching experience is Stewart Street Elementary in Gadsden County. I taught for 2 years in 3rd grade and was their Rookie Teacher of the year in my second year there. I then taught at Bond Elementary School in Leon County, 1st grade for one year. I then accepted a position at Trinity Catholic School teaching PreK 3 and 4 for 3 years and then 1st grade. I have been in first grade ever since. This is my 23rd year as a teacher. I love teaching all ages, but especially love first grade. My goal is to meet your child in the learning process educationally, emotionally, socially and spiritually. I will provide the necessary scaffolding for your student to have success. I value my parents. Parents are the first teachers and I look forward to your partnership to help your child reach their full potential. Thank you for sharing your child with me. I look forward to our year together.



Objectives for Student Learning

Students will grow in their love for God. Our motto in class is "God I am ready!" No matter what the subject is, I want your child to know that God loves them and that God has amazing plans for each and every one of them! We will learn together to ask questions, challenge each other and have a growth mindset that even though we may not understand yet, we are going to get there. I expect my students to come to school prepared to learn and open to what God has planned for them. First grade is a challenging year but, with practice and hard work we will accomplish amazing things.



Curriculum

During the first weeks of school we will be assessing students, learning about First grade work, establishing routines, and getting to know what is expected. We will not be recording grades until the second week of school.

Subjects

Religion - Our Sunday Visitor Alive in Christ Grade 1 ISBN 978-1-61278-022-1 Copyright 2014

Reading - CKLA/ 95% Phonics

Handwriting - Writing Our Catholic Faith Grade 1 ISBN 978-1-931181-79-2 Copyright 2016

Writing - Strategies for Writers Grade 1 ISBN 978-1-4531-0359-3 Copyright 2013

Math - Go Math

Science- Nancy Larson Grade 1 ISBN 978-60212-122-5

Social Studies - Florida Social Studies Our Community and Beyond Grade 1 ISBN 978-0-07-666861-8

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Studies Weekly

Science Weekly

Simple Solutions Phonics Grade 1

Simple Solutions Math Grade 1



Assignments/Homework

Each week will include packets and assignments for each of the academic subjects. Papers are turned in at the end of the week and then once graded will be sent home in the Friday folders each week. Every week there is homework that is sent home the Friday before and due the following Thursday. Homework is a grade.

This will evolve for assignments as the year progresses. Homework will begin after parent night. Each Friday is “Show What You Know” test day. Graded papers will then be entered into PowerSchool for parent access.

Usually assignments are a week behind since assignments are turned in on Fridays. I expect students to complete work when assigned each day and to put the assignments in their folders until they are collected.



Grading Scale

Each Friday your child’s work will be sent home in the binder to review with your child. The work will be in a manilla folder. Please take time to look at this together. Please keep graded work at home unless marked otherwise. Please date and sign the Friday Folder each week, you may also add comments if you wish. If you have any questions please let us know. The work is already graded and should not be returned.

94-100 E

90-93 G+

85-89 G

80-84 S+

75-79 S

65-74 N

64-below P



Make-up Assignments and Late Work

Depending on the length of absence will determine what work is sent home to be completed. If your child only misses one or two days, most assignments will be made up during class time.

I also provide makeup time during arrival and dismissal each day. Students are responsible to check their work daily as I review to see what assignments they still need to complete/makeup.



Behavior Management Plan

Behavior Chart

Magical Day- Above and beyond the expectations Bright Note sent home

Great Day- Made great choices and required few to no redirections

Think About It- Not making good choices even with reminders and redirections. A Growth Note is sent home with a brief description of what happened and teacher signature. Parents are required to sign the note and return it the next day in the student's binder.

Parent Contact- If the student continues the behaviors even after **Think About It** then this would require immediate parent contact. Or if a student has extreme behavior (hitting, fighting, refusals).

For behavior issues, a "Growth Note" will be sent inside the binder with a brief description of what happened and then signed by the teacher. There is also a place for parents to sign that they saw the slip and return the slip with the folder each day. I will also occasionally send "Bright Notes" for exceptional behavior. This binder will also be used for any homework assignments, notes, or money. This binder is an important two-way tool for communication. If you need to contact me immediately, please call the school and leave a message; I will be happy to call back as soon as possible. I am looking forward to our partnership!



Conduct Grading Scale

Conduct Grade Guidelines (see Parent-Student Handbook)

Trinity Catholic School is committed to providing a high quality Catholic education for all students in an atmosphere conducive to learning and teaching. Grounded in the teachings of the Gospels, we demonstrate our faith through our behavior and we take responsibility for our actions and their consequences. We maintain high expectations with respect to student effort, positive growth, personal responsibility, and respect.

Conduct grades are a separate evaluation from academic performance. They reflect a student's overall behavior and development as a citizen within the classroom environment. Consistent positive behavior contributes significantly to a strong learning environment for everyone. By striving to meet the character traits of "KNIGHTS," students can earn high conduct grades in each subject, while fostering a positive and respectful classroom community.

I show...	Kindness
I am...	Nurturing
I act with...	Integrity
I show...	Grit
I have...	Hope
I show...	Tolerance
I show...	Self-Discipline

Teachers base conduct grades on a student's consistent behavior throughout the quarter, not just isolated incidents. They look for the following:

Conduct Grade-Citizenship in the Classroom
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Above Average Knight Behavior 1	• Is a positive role model, who leads quietly or outwardly • Shows kindness and care for others • Is always respectful of teachers and fellow students • Works to improve the classroom atmosphere • Takes an active part in class discussions, groups, etc. • Is a self-starter and seeks to help others • Completes all work to the best of their ability • Demonstrates personal and academic integrity • Respect classroom resources/tools • Arrives on time and prepared to learn
Satisfactory Knight Behavior 2	• Contributes positively to class • Shows respect for others • Comes to class prepared and on time • Demonstrates personal and academic integrity • Listens and talks when appropriate • Does what is expected • Willing to help others • Respect classroom resources/tools
Needs Improvement Knight Behavior 3	• Needs frequent reminders by the teacher to stay on task and/or behave appropriately • Needs improvement in showing respect and kindness to classmates/teacher • Sometimes comes to class unprepared and/or does not complete work • Distracts other students' learning • Occasionally displays a negative or uncooperative attitude • Irresponsible with classroom resources/tools
Unsatisfactory Knight Behavior 4	• Is a disruptive influence on the class, negatively impacting the learning environment • Shows a lack of respect for teacher/fellow students • Is disrespectful or unkind to others, in actions or words • Regularly comes to class unprepared and puts forth little effort • Demonstrates a lack of personal and academic integrity • Harms classroom resources/tools

In the event a student receives a 3 or 4 in Conduct and the behavior does not improve, a Parent/Teacher Conference may be scheduled, a Behavior Plan will be put in place, and the student may lose privileges. In the event that the behaviors don't improve over time, it may be decided that Trinity is not the best fit for that student.



AI Policy for Students

AI is not used by the students in first grade.

 Labels

Please label all items. This includes lunch containers (no glass), backpacks, sweaters/sweatshirts, coats, uniforms and water bottles (no glass).

 Lunch and Snack

Please bring your lunch daily. Please do not send any glass containers, water bottles, or candy. Snack time is provided daily using a community snack schedule. There will be a snack schedule sent that will begin for the second week of school. Children are provided several options. All snacks provided must be individually pre-packaged and follow the description name brand type given on the list.

 Celebrations

We celebrate birthdays with fun activities. No special food treats are allowed.

 Supplies

Students will use the supplies brought in at the beginning of the school year. If we are in need of additional supplies throughout the year I will let you know.

 Communication

Weekly Newsletter and Calendar in Mickey Mouse Binder

Google Classroom- not used in First Grade

 Emails /Conferences

Emails - I try to check emails throughout the day. However, this is difficult while teaching. All emails are responded to within 24 hours. However, any emails sent after 3:30pm will be read the next school day. If I have not responded, please contact me to be sure I received your email.

I look forward to our conferences. I will start them towards the end of September to discuss your child's adjustment to First Grade. I use Sign Up Genius for scheduling fall conferences and the conferences will be in person or if needed Google Meet. However, if the need arises and you need to meet with me before scheduled

conferences, please just let me know. You may call (leave message and I will return between teaching or at the end of the day), send a note or email me at seamanj@trinityknights.org



Parents are responsible for checking PowerSchool on a regular basis to monitor progress. Please bring concerns to my attention as soon as they appear. We will work together to promote student progress. Questions regarding access to PowerSchool should be directed to the front office.

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	7:50-8:00 Bell Work Calendar	7:50-8:00 Bell Work Calendar	7:50-8:00 Bell Work Calendar	7:50-8:00 Bell Work Calendar	7:50-8:00 Bell Work Calendar
	8:00-8:40 Religion	8:00-8:40 Religion	8:00-8:25 Religion	8:00-8:40 Religion	8:00-8:40 Religion
9:15 Snack daily	8:40-10:00 Language Arts	8:40-10:00 Language Arts	9:15-10:00 Language Arts	8:40-10:00 Language Arts	8:40-9:15 Language Arts
	10:00-10:20 Recess	10:00-10:20 Recess	10:00-10:20 Recess	10:00-10:20 Recess	10:00-10:20 Recess
LA- Language Arts	10:20-11:50 Language Art Writing	10:20-11:00 LA/Writing 11:00-11:30 Spanish 11:30-11:50 LA/Writing	10:20-11:50 Language Art Writing	10:20-11:00 LA/Writing 11:00-11:30 Spanish 11:30-11:50 LA/Writing	10:20-11:50 Language Art Writing
	11:50-12:10 Lunch 12:10-1:00 Math	11:50-12:10 Lunch 12:10-1:00 Math	11:50-12:10 Lunch 12:10-1:00 Math	11:50-12:10 Lunch 12:10-1:00 Math	11:50-12:10 Lunch 12:10-1:30 Math
	1:00-1:45 PE 1:45-2:00 Math	1:00-1:45 Art 1:45-2:00 Math	1:00-1:45 Music 1:45-2:00 Math	1:00-1:45 PE	1:00-1:45 Media
	1:45-2:00 Math	1:45-2:00 Math	1:45-2:00 Math		
	2:00-2:30 Science	2:00-2:30 Science	2:00-2:30 Science	2:15-2:30 Science	2:00-2:30 Science
	2:30-2:55 Social Studies	2:30-2:55 Social Studies	2:30-2:55 Social Studies	2:30-2:55 Social Studies	2:30-2:55 Social Studies
	2:55-3:00 Dismissal	2:55-3:00 Dismissal	2:55-3:00 Dismissal	2:55-3:00 Dismissal	2:55-3:00 Dismissal
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