

Meet the Teachers

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My name is Laura Morris. I am one of your child's 1st grade teachers! I was born and raised in Delaware. In December of 2014, I graduated from the University of Delaware with a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education and a minor in Disabilities Studies. In May of 2020, my husband and I welcomed our first baby into the world. We named her Ruby Rose!!

This is my seventh year teaching! I taught special education at John S. Charlton School. In 2016, I joined the Sunnyside Elementary School. It has been an incredible experience being a part of the Smyrna School District community. I truly love working and teaching at Sunnyside.



My name is Kerstin Dean. I am one of your child's first grade teachers this year! I have lived in Delaware almost my entire life! I moved to Smyrna with my family in 2002. In December 2016, I graduated from Wilmington University with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and a minor in Special Education.

This is my fifth year teaching! Previously taught in the Caesar Rodney School District. I joined Sunnyside in 2019, and am so excited to be teaching first grade this year!!

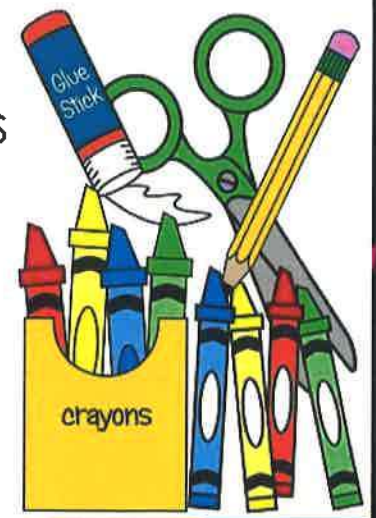
1st Grade Supply List



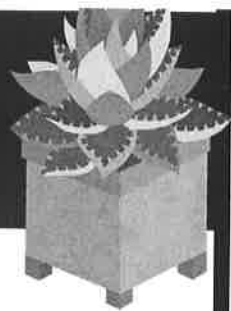
- 1 pack of Ticonderoga Pencils
- 6 gluesticks
- 2 pairs of scissors
- 1 Yellow two pocket plastic folder
- 1 Red two pocket plastic folder
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 2 boxes of 12 markers
- 1 pencil box
- 1 container of eraser caps
- 2 composition notebooks (2 different colors or designs)
- Change of clothes—shirt, pants, underwear, and socks & will be kept in student locker
- 2 boxes of tissues

Daily Supplies:

- Water bottle
- Snack
- Bookbag
- Face mask per June 2021 DPH Guidelines



Welcome to First Grade



This year your child will have two certified teachers: Mrs. Laura Morris and Miss. Kerstin Dean! Please review "Meet the Teachers" page for more information on us!

Our goal is for students to show growth and enjoy the process of learning. We will build upon last year's academic and social-emotional foundation. During this school year, we will explore learning through a variety of engaging activities. I believe that the class is a family. As a family we will overcome challenges, grow, change, laugh, and have fun along the way!

Class Dojo

We use Class Dojo as an additional communication tool for the classroom. We post classroom updates such as reminders, important dates and information. Please be on the lookout for an invitation via text or email.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Our adventure together begins on Wednesday, September 8th!!
- Student supply list is attached.
- Words you can practice with your child are attached.

Looking forward to meeting each of you! Enjoy the rest of your summer!
See you soon!! ☺

Mrs. Morris & Miss. Dean



1G Level Power Words

a	get	lots	this
all	go	love	to
am	had	me	up
an	has	my	want
and	have	no	was
are	he	of	we
at	here	on	went
be	I	one	what
big	in	said	where
can	is	see	who
can't	it	she	why
come	like	that	will
do	little	the	with
down	live	there	yes
for	look	they	you