

# WELCOME TO FIRST GRADE

Welcome to First Grade! We are so excited for this year and cannot wait to be your child's teachers! In our classrooms, we want learning to be fun and accommodating to all diverse learning styles. Our classrooms are made to feel like one big happy family in which everyone is welcome with open arms and treated with respect.

The first few weeks of school we will focus on getting to know each other and building a strong classroom community. Some of our main goals in first grade are to strengthen our reading and writing skills along with excelling in math, especially with addition and subtraction facts and strategies. Students will be taught through whole group instruction, small group instruction, through their peers, and independently. We also incorporate all of our core subjects through many thematic units. At Crestview, we take pride in incorporating and extending lessons through hands-on learning, projects, and field trips.

Most importantly, we strive to teach our students to be kind and caring to each other and all others they meet. We encourage and practice being supportive of each other academically and socially. We will continue to work on communicating our thoughts and feelings and coming together to create a supportive, welcoming, and loving classroom family!

We cannot wait for a fun and exciting school year! We look forward to meeting you at our Back-to-School Night on Thursday, August 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-6:00. According to District policy, masks will be required in the building at all times. In the meantime, please see the back of this sheet for some information before school starts.



Love,  
The First Grade Team

Miss Colestock, Miss Eberly, Miss Fultz, & Mrs. Marra

# Before School Starts

## Please Work With Your Child On:

- [ ] Saying his or her first AND last name.
- [ ] Writing their first name.
- [ ] Telling an adult if something is wrong.
- [ ] Telling an adult when they need help.
- [ ] Taking care of basic needs on own (restroom, washing hands).
- [ ] Reading often. (You read to them, they pretend read or read together).
- [ ] Singing or reciting nursery rhymes.
- [ ] Using scissors and glue.
- [ ] Following two step directions and rules.
- [ ] Singing the alphabet.
- [ ] Tying their shoes on their own.
- [ ] Zipping zippers, buttoning buttons, snapping snaps on their own.
- [ ] Eating a lunch on their own.
- [ ] Opening lunchboxes/containers during lunch.
- [ ] Counting to 100.
- [ ] Taking turns and share.
- [ ] Knowing their phone number and address.
- [ ] Knowing their teacher's name.
- [ ] Practicing sitting still, and being quiet and patient.
- [ ] Practicing wearing a mask for long periods of time.

