**Mehrer, Emery** –

My name is Emery L. Mehrer. I was born and raised on a farm/ranch in southwestern North Dakota.

The first university I attended was the University of North Dakota. While at UND, I ran track and finished degrees in Anthropology and Computer Science. My next stop was the University of Nebraska, where I worked on a masters in anthropology. I then completed a masters in mathematics from Minot State University.

This year is my 34th year in education. I have taught high school, college, been the state director of K-12 technology, and director of technology for a state distance education program.

Outside of the classroom I enjoy backpacking, bicycle racing, and hunting.

I would suggest that Algebra and Geometry student acquire a Texas Instruments TI-83+ or TI-84+calculator. IB mathematics students must have a TI-84+ calculator.

**Greenhalgh, Scott** –

Hello

As a veteran of 32 years in the public schools, I bring a lot of experience to the classroom. I’ve had opportunities to work in research labs, develop and deliver curriculum, create and manage school-wide programs, and conduct real science with high school students. I enjoy the outdoors, and have a deep respect for the natural world. My favorite things include canyoneering, science exploration, and spending time with my family.

I’ll be teaching sections of Conceptual Physics and Chemistry next year, along with the Theory of Knowledge course for second semester juniors. Students in those classes will need a spiral notebook or composition book for classwork (100 sheets min., graph/grid is preferred), and internet access at home to read from the eText and access assignments.

I look forward to working with students to understand how the physical and chemical world is organized.

**Heinen, Aaron** –

Hi, I’m Aaron Heinen and I will be teaching instrumental music this school year. I look forward to working with your child! To tell you a bit about myself, I enjoy hiking, running, swimming, and relaxing with my cat. I’m originally from Michigan and love the Detroit Redwings. I have been happily married for three years and have been fortunate to travel to Europe three times!

My primary teaching focus this upcoming year will be with the band program, which we will offer for grades 5 - 11. I will also be teaching guitar class for students in the 8th grade and higher. Students are encouraged to sign up for one of these electives so that they can enjoy creating music on a daily basis!
It is vital that your child bring the following items to class each day to be successful:

**Band and Guitar**: daily planner, instrument, music/music book, pencil, proper maintenance items such as valve oil, slide grease and reeds.

More details will be sent home with the class syllabi at the start of the school year so be looking for those!

**Trezise, Kimberly –**

Hola!

¡Me llamo Sra. Trezise y soy la profa de espa~ol en la escuela de Eduprize! ¡Me encanta hablar, comer y bailar ESPA~OL!

¡I will be teaching Spanish I, II and IB this school year and estoy tan emocionada!

Listed below are some items that you will need to help you have a successful learning experience this year.

- a 3 ring binder (1-2 inches)
- a memo pad (250-300 sheets of paper, 2 1/5 x 5 inches in size). No larger please!
- colored pencils (8 pack)
- a positive desire to learn!!

**Niamh, Savani –**

Niamh was born and raised in Ireland and has lived in the United States for over 20 years. She holds dual citizenship as both an Irish and American citizen. She loves to paint, read, travel, practice yoga, work out at the gym, and spend quality time with family and friends. In addition to teaching, Niamh is a creative artist specializing in water media and pastels. She is a member of Gilbert Visual Arts League and regularly exhibits work throughout the community and beyond. Niamh teaches Visual Arts classes at EDUPRIZE including IB Visual Arts, dual enrollment (with Rio Salado), and Jr. High and High School art. In addition, she is a sponsor of the Service Club at Eduprize. Niamh holds a BFA in painting (summa cum laude), an MAEd. in curriculum and instruction, and is a National Board Certified Teacher in Art.

All visual arts students must have the following supplies: a sketchbook (minimum size 8.5 " x 11") with a sturdy cover; a regular composition book; a pencil and quality eraser; a small roll of clear tape; fine tip and regular size black sharpies. It is highly recommended that IB and honors art students get two Canson 9" x 12" XL Mixed Media sketchbooks (approx $12 available at Michaels, Hobby Lobby, Dick Blick, Jerry's Artarama). It is also recommended that IB and
honors students buy a small set of student grade watercolor paints, chalk pastels, and colored pencils for at home assignments.

**Wilkinson, Jesse –**  
Greetings! My name is Jessica Wilkinson and I love science! I have been teaching secondary science since 2003 and I am a certified in secondary biology, general science and STEM. I graduated from Arizona State University with a degree in secondary education with an emphasis in biology and have a master’s degree from Northern Arizona University in Educational Leadership. My hobbies include fitness, being adjunct faculty and science department chair at University of Phoenix and I am a passionate foodie who is always looking for my next culinary adventure. For the 2015-2016 school year I will be teaching eighth grade science and biology. The supply "must-have" for my class is a composition notebook with sewn-in pages. Students can either purchase a composition book that contains graph paper or can use a standard composition book with regular notebook paper, but will need to supply their own graph paper. My wish list items include Kleenex tissues and bath and body works wall flowers to help my science room smell fresh.

**Gibson, Chase –**  
Hello everyone. My name is Chase Gibson. I am a proud Mesa, Arizona native and a graduate of ASU in Geography. I am married, and am a father to a 4 year old happy little boy. I am EHS' G.I.S. teacher (Geographic Information Systems). I'm an ordinary guy who likes to bike. My objective is to show the high schoolers how to look at information from a geography perspective, and to use technology as a tool for producing maps, charts and other visual aids. My class helps them in their skills with computers, using a geographical perspective. Most of the things we do are online, and paperless. There are times where essays will accompany maps and presentations. Having a simple small notebook and pencil/pen is beneficial for practice, recording information and even surveying people. Familiarity with email is very helpful and essential in this class, since assignments are often via email or Google classroom.

Thanks for sending your kids here; I look forward to another great year.  
Chase Gibson

**Malm, Stephanie –**  
Welcome back to EDUPRIZE! My name is Stephanie Malm and I will be teaching Social Studies to all 8th graders and one class of 9th grade. I am very excited about the opportunity to not only teach only Social Studies, but also to teach different age groups. I am a mom of 4 children, one of whom is in the military and another of whom will be joining the military very soon. I have two sons and two daughters, and they still keep me very busy. My husband, to whom I’ve been married for 25 years, lives and works in San Diego, but does get home quite frequently. In my spare time I love to read, bake, make cards, and spend quality time with my children. Again, welcome back - this is going to be an amazing year!
Supplies:
One 2-inch binder
Pencils and pens - black or blue only
One red pen for grading
3X5 index cards (you will use these all year so get a good supply - color does not matter)
Loose leaf paper, or spiral bound notebooks that can fit in your binder
If you wish, you can get pocket folders for your binder, but that is up to you.

Jones, Melanie –
My name is Melanie Jones. I enjoy bringing out the best in others, hiking, going to the movies, exercising, reading, the great outdoors, motivating and encouraging others, and so much more.

As a PE teacher, I instruct students in a variety of physical activities relevant to curriculum requirements which includes general physical health and well-being, sports games, basic nutrition, team work, cooperation, and respect for self and others in a fun, positive, and motivating environment.

Supplies Needed:
I can do it attitude
Don’t Worry Be Happy
Love Yourself
Be Positive
Never Give Up
Eye of the Tiger Attitude

Wish List:
Successful Positive Healthy Students

Mr. Russell Seaton
My name is Russell Seaton and my wife and I are both music teachers, and we will both be joining the EDUPRIZE family (Mrs. Tammy Seaton will be instructing at the Queen Creek campus). We both come from musical families, my great Aunt Nora being one of the first voice instructors at Juilliard in New York City in the 1920s. I enjoy music of all cultures and have explored much of Europe and Asia, enjoying various musical cultures and styles. I bring this aspect to my teaching as often as possible. For leisure time, I enjoy the outdoors, including golf, rock-climbing, hiking, soccer and most importantly, spending time with my three daughters. I am a member of the Irish choir, Anúna, and have travelled throughout East Asia performing and meeting many people in and out of the music community. My greatest passion is igniting a love and appetite for music in each and every student that I teach, in every style possible, whilst
building student confidence, collaboration, and performance skills that all students can take with them for the rest of their lives. This includes travel to perform opportunities, both locally and internationally. I will be teaching Music next year, including but not limited to, Choirs (all styles and genres), Electronic Music, IB Music as well as leading the Musical Theatre as we prepare for an exceptional annual production. It is an honor to work for an outstanding organization such as EDUPRIZE, and I am excited to meet each student and work with them and parents to produce the best performing arts program in the area and beyond.

Horrell, Patricia –
I am Patricia Horrell, and I live in San Tan Valley with my husband and two dogs. I’ve been teaching for over 20 years, and before I launched my teaching career, I worked as a technical writer and freelance journalist. I will be teaching IB English 11, English 11, and English 8. I like to do what I teach—write, read, watch movies, discuss books and movies, etc. I wrote a novel two years ago via the NaNoWriMo challenge, and I’m hoping to finish the second novel in the series this year. I’d like to encourage my students to take the challenge as well. In addition to English-related activities, I also enjoy bargain hunting, walking my dogs, and attending music festivals.

Each student in my class needs to purchase a Mead Five Star spiral-bound, college-ruled notebook—minimum 100-page count. This notebook is important because it will serve as the student’s IAN (Interactive Notebook), and the student will use it frequently to do bell work, take notes, draw creative responses to literature, and write essay drafts. Students will also need pens and pencils, highlighters, colored pencils, lined paper, and either glue sticks or tape to use as they do assignments in their IAN.

My classroom wish list is as follows: colored paper; index cards; general supplies like a stapler & staples, tape, paper clips, and glue.

Finally, I am looking forward to the 2015-16 school year--I am definitely excited about working in the Eagle's nest!

Rand, Elaine –
I am Elaine Rand. I graduated from Arizona State University, and I have been teaching for thirty-three years. I thoroughly enjoy teaching students! It is always extremely rewarding to watch students make progress! I have been teaching at EDUPRIZE for thirteen years. Initially, I taught grades five and six here at EDUPRIZE. Currently, I am a Resource Teacher in the high school program. When I am not golfing, I am immersed in a good book! I also spend a lot of time with my family.

Potterton, Graeme –
1st Class Bachelor of Science (Hons) Sports Studies - University of Essex (UK)
Post Graduate Certificate of Education (with Qualified Teacher Status) - University of Buckingham (UK)

This will be my 6th year teaching Physical Education. I have experience teaching at all grade levels K-12. I taught for 3 years in Northampton, England before moving to Arizona. This is my third year teaching Physical Education at EDUPRIZE. We teach sport-related classes, looking at skill acquisition and analysis of performance, as well as working on fitness.

I am a huge sports fan and will generally watch anything sports related, and try to stay on top of the latest stories and happenings across multiple sports. I am, as many of the students will tell you, a massive Arsenal fan and try to watch them or listen to their games as often as possible. I continue keep a careful eye on the Northampton Saints Rugby scores.

I strive each day to inspire my students to have a passion for learning, life, their goals, and dreams.

Students must have a can-do attitude and should be prepared to get sweaty and therefore need deodorant. Students must wear tennis shoes, ideally different to their regular school shoes, thus limiting dirt in the gym and school as a whole.

Oyler, Mark –
My name is Mark Oyler. I was born and raised in Ogden, Utah and graduated from Weber State University before moving to Arizona 9 years ago. I teach History, Government, and Economics at EDUPRIZE and will be teaching the IB Social Studies classes. In the past I have also taught P.E., psychology, personal fitness, and Geography. I also coached football, basketball, and baseball at the charter school level and look forward to coaching at EDUPRIZE. I don't have any supply requirements apart from a notebook and pen.