

# Welcome to First Grade

Welcome to First Grade at EDUPRIZE. My name is Lisa Davis, and I will be your child's First Grade AM TOPS teacher. I am so excited to have the opportunity to share this year with you and your child. I truly love teaching, and I especially love first graders.

I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I graduated from ASU West with a degree in Early Childhood Education in 2001. This will be my 22nd year of teaching. I love being a part of the EDUPRIZE team.

I am originally from Lincoln, Nebraska but have lived in Arizona since 1989. I live in San Tan Valley with my family. I am blessed to be able to work next door to my sister, Mrs. Benton. She is the other First Grade AM TOPS teacher!

I feel very fortunate to be teaching in a technology infused classroom. I love technology and truly believe it will serve to enhance your child's education. My goal is to seamlessly integrate it into our daily lessons and routines.

Your child will be exploring four different thematic units this year. At EDUPRIZE we call these units "cottages." Each cottage is full of hands-on learning experiences. The first-grade cottages are: Wavelength Arcade, Plymouth Plantation, Resource Resort, and Birdhouse.

Our Open House is planned for Monday, July 17, 2023. Our scheduled time to meet is from 8:30 a.m.-9:15 a.m. in room 24. (Our supply list is on the next page.) There will be areas for you to sort the supplies, as well as a few tasks for you to do to help your child get organized before the first day of school. Click here if you'd like to read over the open house agenda in advance.

Our first day of school is Wednesday, July 19th. Our AM TOPS class starts at 7:15 a.m. However, the students should be in line outside by 7:10 a.m. Your child must be prompt and present the full first day to be considered enrolled at EDUPRIZE. The AM TOPS schedule this year will be 7:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Monday - Friday.

In order to save time during open house, I have made some of the required paperwork digital. Please click on the link in the supply list to fill out the questionnaire prior to open house. There is no need to print anything. I will receive a report with all of your answers! This survey is in addition to any of the paperwork on the EDUPRIZE website that is required by the school.

Please click on this link to fill out a very important form!

 [Open House Form](#) 

I look forward to meeting you and your family! If you have any questions or concerns about the school year, please do not hesitate to let me know. The best way to contact me is through email. My email address is [lisa.davis@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:lisa.davis@eduprizeschools.net). I look forward to our partnership. Thank you in advance for all you will do to make this a wonderful school year for your child.

*Lisa Davis*

# Mrs. Davis Supply List

Please bring the following school supplies to the Open House on Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> between 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. This will allow me to store the supplies and have a smooth start on the first day of school. Some items will be used as a classroom set, so please do not write your child's name on the supplies unless it is indicated. Thank you very much for contributing to our classroom!

- ★ Unpackaged Headphones in a large Ziploc bag (Earbuds are very difficult for first graders to use. Please send in headphones only.)
- ★ Computer Mouse in a small Ziploc bag (Wired)
- ★ 1 regular-sized pencil box. (Please write your child's name on it.)
- ★ 1 pointed pair of unpackaged scissors. (Please write your child's name on it.)
- ★ 2 boxes of Crayola Crayons 24 pack
- ★ 1 box of sharpened Dixon Ticonderoga pencils (All other brands are frustratingly inadequate)
- ★ 2 erasers unpackaged (white, Hi-Polymer)
- ★ ½ inch, solid colored 3-ring binder with inside pockets and a clear sheet on the outside to hold a cover sheet (This will be used as a Homework/Communication Book.) Please write your child's name on the inside, upper right-hand corner.
- ★ 2 plastic pocket folders with brass fasteners. (1 red, 1 blue)
- ★ 1 hard-bound composition notebook
- ★ 2 packages of black, thin Expo whiteboard markers
- ★ 1 package of sheet protectors
- ★ 2 rolls of paper towels
- ★ 3 containers of Clorox antibacterial wipes for cleaning desks
- ★ 1 ream of white copy paper
- ★ 1 jumbo-sized glue stick
- ★ 2 boxes of tissues
- ★ 1 box of plastic baggies (Boys sandwich size and Girls gallon size)
- ★ 1 package of markers
- ★ 1 hand soap

## Teacher Wish List

Click [HERE](#) for a link to our classroom wish list on Amazon.