

# Welcome to First Grade



Hello, and welcome to EDUPRIZE! My name is Kayla Everhart, and I am excited to be your child's first-grade teacher. This will be my second year at EDUPRIZE! I look forward to having your child in my first-grade traditional class.

This will be my fifth year teaching. This is my second year in first grade. I previously taught kindergarten for three years. I am so excited to begin our year together! I earned a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Northern Arizona University in 2018. I am originally from Willowick, Ohio, but have lived in Arizona for the last 12 years. I have one sister named Sami, who has two hairless cats. Their names are Nacho and Chip, and I am a little obsessed with them! I am also getting married in December to Mr. Cortez (8th grade science teacher).

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.

**Open House is planned for Monday, July 17, 2023. Our scheduled time to meet is from 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. in room 18.** You will be able to meet me, see our classroom and drop off supplies.

**Please bring your child's supplies to school with you on the day of Open House.** (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. If you are unavailable during our scheduled time, I will be available periodically throughout the day.

**Our first day of school is Wednesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>. Regular day starts at 8:00 a.m. However, the students should be outside and in line by 7:55 a.m. Your child must be prompt and present the full first day to be considered enrolled at EDUPRIZE. The traditional schedule this year is from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday and 8:00 - 11:15 am on Fridays.**

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 contact me. The best way to reach me is through email. My email address is [kayla.everhart@eduprizeschools.net](mailto:kayla.everhart@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!

Thank you,  
Miss Everhart



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Please bring the following school supplies to the Open House on Monday, July 17, 2023, anytime between 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. in room 18. 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 only headphones labeled with your child's name**)
- Computer Mouse in a small Ziploc bag (**OPTIONAL- wired with name**)
- 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
- 1 eraser (pink or white)
- 1 one inch, solid colored 3-ring binder with inside pockets and a clear sheet on the outside to hold a cover sheet. **Please write your child's name on the inside, upper right-hand corner.**
- 1 yellow, plastic pocket folder **with metal fasteners (name)**
- 1 blue, plastic pocket folder **with metal fasteners (name)**
- 1 red, plastic pocket folder **with metal fasteners (homework folder).**
- Composition notebook
- Glue sticks
- 2 packages of black, thin Expo white board markers
- 1 package of sheet protectors
- 1 package of copy paper
- 1 roll of paper towels
- 2 containers of Clorox antibacterial wipes for cleaning desks
- Tissue Boxes (square if possible)

## Teacher Wish List

Click [here](#) for our class Wishlist.

