

Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to a great, upcoming regular day 6<sup>th</sup> grade school year at EDUPRIZE! You have been assigned to the Farnsworth/Pendle cohort. **Ms. Pendle** will be your **Homerom Teacher**. This year our cottages will be Atomic Avenue, Rainforest, Observatory, and Imperial Highway.

We are excited for the opportunity to get to know you and your families. First, we would like for you to know a little bit about us!

**Ms. Pendle:** I will be teaching Writing, ELA, and Social Studies. My journey in life has led me to fulfill a dream that I had as a child - to become a teacher. This will be my 17th year teaching, and my 7th year at EDUPRIZE. I received my Bachelor's Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies K-8 from Western Governors University. I am a native of Arizona and enjoy biking, hiking, reading, and spending time with my family. I have three children: Nathan and Kelsey, who are in college, and Lyberty, who is married. Also, I am a proud grandma of an 8 year old grandson. I am excited to learn all about my new students and watch them grow into life-long learners.

**Mr. Farnsworth:** I will be teaching Writing, Math, and Science. This year will be my 25th year teaching at EDUPRIZE. I graduated from Ottawa University and have received my Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and a Master's Degree in Bilingual Education. I've been married now for 30 years, and my wife is a tap dance instructor at Inspire Dance Studio. We have three children: Kailin, Karsyn, and Kaden. In my spare time, I love to read. I also hope to inspire students to become passionate readers. It's my hope that students will feel safe and enjoy the learning process during this school year. I look forward to being part of their experience.

We have high expectations for our students. We expect them to be responsible and show good character to their teachers and peers. We like to make learning fun, and this happens when students are responsible, prepared, respectful, and motivated to learn! We are excited to have parent helpers in our classroom and will begin utilizing their help after the first week or so of school.

We will meet students at building 2 lunch tables each morning. Please enter the campus through the gates and wait outside for us each morning to come out and greet you. We are excited to start our journey together this year and know that it will be a wonderful year for our sixth graders. There is so much to learn, and it will be our honor to be your teachers! Enjoy the rest of your summer, and we will see you soon!

<b>Open House Date:</b> Monday, July 17, 2023 <b>Recommended Time for Our Class:</b> 11:00 am to 12:00 pm <i>Reminder: please check <a href="http://www.eduprizeschools.net">www.eduprizeschools.net</a> for updates and changes</i>	
<b>Program:</b> 6th Grade Regular <b>Schedule:</b> 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Mon—Thu 8:00 am to 11:45 am Fridays <i>Students should be on-campus, ready to line up 5 minutes prior to the start time listed above.</i>	<b>Building #</b> 2 <b>Room #</b> 90 <b>Extension #</b> 2990 <b>Teacher email address:</b> <a href="mailto:jody.pendle@eduprizeschools.net">jody.pendle@eduprizeschools.net</a> <i>you will receive information regarding carpool and where to line up at Open House.</i>
<b>The first day of school is WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2023.</b> <b>All students must be on-time and present the entire day to be considered enrolled at EDUPRIZE.</b>	

-Ms. Jody Pendle

# Supply List

**Required: Each Student Needs** *\*In 6th grade students will keep their supplies with them in their backpack (they do not use the inside of their desk) at all times, since students switch between two classrooms. A regular backpack works fine. A backpack on wheels also works - keep in mind they still have to carry it up and down the stairs.\**

- 3 packs of 30-pack #2 pencils**
- 1" 3-ring binder** (heavy duty)
- 6 Pocket folders** (hole-punched; different colors)
- 1 package of 12 colored pencils**
- 2-4 highlighters** (preferably different colors)
- 1 pair of scissors** (adult size)
- 5-10 fine point dry erase markers**
- 2-3 colored pens** (for grading)
- Ruler (Must have U.S. Customary and Metric)**
- Calculator** - a **MUST** for math (basic calculator - Scientific not needed)
- Pencil Case** - Big enough to put supplies from above in (hard case recommended)
- 2 spiral notebooks** (120 count plus; Labeled: *Math, Cottage*)
- 5 composition books** (*Writing x 2, Read Aloud x 1, ELA x 2*)
- 1 pair of earbuds/headphones** (these can be from last year - please label with your name)

**Optional Supplies (for the classroom):** *\*We understand that some items may not be available at stores and cannot be donated at this time. Look in weekly newsletters for needed supplies throughout the year or the opportunity to give later.\**

- 2-3 reams of white copy paper
- Package of lined paper, college ruled
- Package of glue sticks
- 1-2 boxes of Kleenex
- 2-3 containers of Clorox wipes
- 2-3 rolls of paper towels
- 2 black ultra-fine point sharpies (the pen type)

**Required: Supplies for specials 2023-2024 school year: Zip top pencil/binder pouch with your first and last name**  
Please fill with the following items:

- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Glue bottle
- 2 Regular pencils
- Large eraser

Our supply list has been reviewed thoroughly in an effort to make it manageable for everyone. The supplies listed above are a good indication of what we use per child throughout the year. Our desire is that you are able to purchase these supplies on sale. Please feel free to join forces with someone else in our class to purchase the items in bulk.

The school year goes quite smoothly when these supplies are on hand and readily available. Please contribute what you can now. If more supplies are needed later in the year they will be announced in newsletters. As always, thank you for your continued support!