

Dear Student:

My name is Karen Sherman, and I'm so excited to be your Resource teacher for the upcoming year! I'll give you a little background on myself: I did my undergraduate studies at Brooklyn College in Brooklyn, NY and received my master's degree in special education from the same. I was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York and have been teaching for thirty years! I have nine (9) foster children currently, 3 girls and 6 boys. Six of my children will be attending EDUPRIZE Gilbert for the 23-34 school year. I also have a dog named Samson and a cat named Abby., who will not be at EDUPRIZE (haha). I also have a son and daughter-in-law who live in California, and 2 grandchildren, Jaden, 9 years old, and Madison, 6 years old. When I'm not at school, I enjoy reading, cooking, arts and crafts, traveling, and spending time with my family.

We will take time at the beginning of the school year to get to know each other and build relationships. I want you to feel at home and safe in my classroom. I am thrilled to teach you new ways to be successful in your general education classrooms. My goals are to help you feel important about your self-worth and to create a learning environment that is filled with respect, encouragement, and friendships.

To make learning possible, it is critical for all students to come to school prepared and have proper classroom behavior. I am looking forward to the start of the year so that we may begin our journey of discovery, team building, learning, and success. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Karen Sherman

