

Dear Parents and First Graders,

Hi! I am Suzanne Rotert, and I will be your child's First Grade teacher for the up-coming school year. I am excited to get to know you! This will be my 29th year teaching and my 16th year at Riggs. I taught Kindergarten for 10 years, then decided to try First Grade! I thoroughly enjoy working with these young children, watching them grow and mature. I am looking forward to an adventurous year ahead with you and your child!

My husband Chris and I moved here from Iowa 28 years ago, where I attended the University of Northern Iowa. I have a BA in Elementary Education and a Minor in Health Education/Counseling, as well as Early Childhood and ELL endorsements. We have two wonderful daughters, Alexa (who works at St. Joseph's Hospital in Phoenix) and Morgan (who will be a senior at Northern Arizona University). We have two sweet little dogs, Paisley and Lucy. I enjoy spending time with my family, going to the movies and shopping! ☺

I have many fun and exciting plans for the 2023-2024 school year. My goal is to give your child the best education he/she deserves. I am here to make your child's learning experience positive and rewarding. I wish to develop high achievers and great success in First Grade. I look forward to meeting with you and your First Grader!

Sincerely,

☺ Mrs. Rotert

## SUGGESTED SUPPLY LIST

### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

\*Please DO NOT write your child's name on the supplies. All supplies that are donated will be shared by the class. This is not a mandatory supply list. Any supplies received will be greatly appreciated!

- ☐ 1 pack of colored pencils
- ☐ 1 box of crayons (**24 count**)
- ☐ 1-2 containers of Antibacterial Wipes
  - We will disinfect the desks daily
- ☐ 12 (or more) glue sticks
- ☐ 1 box of #2 pencils
  - Ticonderogas tend to last longer
- ☐ Child size scissors
- ☐ 1 package of washable markers
- ☐ EVERYONE will need a 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " 3-ring binder, with a clear pocket in the front for our 'FIRST Grade Scrapbook!!!!!!'

**IMPORTANT:** This list will be a bit different than the one provided by the school, but it has our specific classroom needs. Please refer to this list instead, if you have not already bought supplies. Thank you so much!

## **TEACHER WISH LIST ITEMS**

Here are extra items we could use. Feel free to pick one (though, it is completely optional).

\*Walgreens gift card for photo projects

\*Small treasure box toys (Dollar section items work well!)

