

Dear Parents,

Thank you for sharing your precious child with me. I vow to you that I will, to the best of my ability, keep him/her safe while at school. We will not live in fear and let fear rule our classroom. We will live, love, learn, be patient, be flexible, give grace, and enjoy our time together. We will accomplish all of these things while being mindful of others and their personal space and property. We can do this!

In this uncertain world during these unprecedented times, one thing you can be certain of is that your child will be loved while he/she is at school. Please reach out with any questions or concerns. Let's make it a great year!

Sincerely, Mrs. Isaacs



About Me

Hello! My name is Susan Isaacs. This is my 20th year in education! I have taught 19 years in first grade and one year in fifth grade. I am thrilled to be here at school with your child.

I graduated from Truman State University in 2001 with my Master's of Arts in Elementary Education and K-12 Spanish certification.

I married my high school sweetheart, Jason, after college and moved to Jefferson City. We have two boys. Johnathan is a sophomore and Justin is in the seventh grade. We have an English bulldog, Brooke, and a gray kitty named Ash.

I enjoy reading, traveling, gardening, and doing puzzles of any kind.







Contact Info



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Planning Time: 1:45-2:30





<u>Schedule</u>

7:15-7:45 - Breakfast and Morning Routine

7:45-8:10 - Social and Emotional Learning (PBiS Lessons,

Second Steps Lessons, Morning Meetings)

8:10-9:00 - Writing Workshop

9:00-9:15 - Restroom and Wiggle Break

9:15-10:45 - Reading Workshop (Word Study, Minilesson/Read Aloud, Reading Groups, Centers)

10:45-11:00 - Recess

11:00-11:25 - Lunch

11:25-11:35 - Restroom Break

11:35-12:50 - Math Workshop

12:50-1:05 - Recess

1:05-1:45 - Science/Social Studies

1:45-2:30 - Specials (Art, Music, PE)

2:30-2:45 - Dismissal







Expectations

We have the "BIG 3" that students are expected to follow throughout the building....

Respectful: I can . . .

- * raise my hand and wait to be called on before I speak.
- * use kind words and a friendly tone.
- * use directed voice level.
- * follow adult directions the first time given.

Responsible: I can . . .

- * complete all work
- * listen when others talk
- *be accountable for my actions.
- *take care of school and person property
 *follow my teacher's directions for sanitizing areas and items.

Safe: I can...

- *KAHFOOTY
- *use classroom materials appropriately
- *practice physical distancing
- *wear my mask when I am close to other.s







Photos of our Classroom



Writing Center



Student Tables





Photos of our Classroom



Listening Center



Reading Response





Technology

This year your child will have a chromebook to assist him/her with learning. We will be utilizing Google Classroom, as well as many educational websites, to support our curriculum. Be on the lookout for more information as we begin utilizing this learning tool.











<u>Extras</u>

Water bottles - This year your student will be given a clear, purple, school-approved water bottle to use. Our drinking fountains have been shut off due to COVID-19. When your child brings it home on Friday, please clean and return it on Monday..

<u>Login Information</u> - You will be receiving login information for your child for the various platforms we use to support our learning in first grade.

*You will receive information on how to connect to our Class Dojo where I will keep you up-to-date on what's going on in our classroom.

*Music, Art, Counseling, and Library lessons will all occur in our classroom this year. The students will go outside for PE as weather allows.

*No birthday treats or snacks are to be sent to school due to COVID-19. There will be no class parties this year.





