

Dear Parents,

I am so excited to be your child's Fourth Grade Teacher! I have many exciting things planned for this year. Our theme for the year is "Let's Discover." I am a firm believer that learning does not just happen in the classroom setting at a desk listening to a teacher ramble on and on, although I have been known to do that when I am excited about a subject. Because I believe in teaching 'beyond the curriculum,' there will be various types of projects that will aid students' understanding using as many senses as possible.

This is my second time teaching Fourth Grade, but I have been teaching for many years. I began teaching Preschool during college. I obtained my BA in Psychology from The Master's College (now The Master's University) then received my credential from Fresno State. I have taught Kindergarten through fourth grades in private schools and K-6 in public schools. Recently, I have been a substitute teacher for Clovis Unified, completing daily and long-term substitute positions in General Education and Special Education Classes.

I have learned many things while being a teacher, but one of the most important things I have learned is that even though a child might be doing well academically, they might not be so emotional. I hope that your child will feel comfortable being themselves in my class. Another thing I have learned is how much children learn from having responsibilities in the classroom. Every student will have several class jobs throughout the year.

One of the strategies I am implementing is note-taking. It is difficult for students to learn how to take notes; however, it is a vital tool your child will need as they continue their education. Students will also be keeping an agenda notebook that will be filled out by your child daily. Please read their agenda notebook nightly. It will contain daily assignments, homework, special projects, a reading log, and special notes or reminders.

I am looking forward to working with each parent/guardian as well as your children. I hope you will feel welcome in my room or reach out to me with any comments or questions during school hours. I will need your help for the school year to be successful. I am looking for volunteers in several categories. If you have the time to help on campus or at home, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Miss Chrys Wimer