Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to a great, upcoming school year at EDUPRIZE! Our names are Mrs. Tornow and Mrs. Turner (Gorman), and we will be your  $\delta^{th}$  grade PM TOPS teachers this year! We are so excited to be team teaching this year- switching off days throughout the week to balance being at home with our families and to be at school with our wonderful students! 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. But first, we would like to tell you a little bit about ourselves!

**Mrs. Tornow:** This will be my 11<sup>th</sup> year teaching here at EDUPRIZE, and I'm excited to be team teaching this year with Mrs. Turner! I have always taught 5th and 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and my favorite subjects to teach are math and science-I hope that you like those subjects too! Outside of the classroom, I love to travel to new places, play with my dogs (Boston and Berkley), go hiking and camping, eat good food, and play games. I also love spending as much time as possible with my family. My husband Andrew and I have two sweet boys: Carter is two and Cole will celebrate his first birthday this December. I'm looking forward to meeting our wonderful students, and I know that this school year will be the best one yet!

**Mrs. Turner (Gorman)**: This year, I look forward to team teaching with Mrs. Tornow. Born and raised right here in the great state of Arizona, I am a D-Backs fan, an NAU graduate, and an outdoor enthusiast (the summer heat means swimming!). My husband, Brent, and I have two wonderful kids: Flynn is three and Adaline will be one at the end of July. Our goldendoodle, Daffee, is playful and matches Flynn's energy! I believe that children learn in an environment that thrives when a child's individuality is cared for and a community is built upon each child's respect for one another. This is going to be a tremendous year. I cannot wait to meet our fabulous students!

Something to know about us is that we have high expectations for our students. We expect them to be responsible and show good character to their peers and teachers. However, we are also teachers that love to have fun! We LOVE teaching lessons that are interesting and exciting, and this happens when students are responsible, prepared, respectful, and motivated to learn! We also look forward to having parent helpers in the classroom. Parent volunteering interest forms will be sent home in the first few weeks of school, but if you would like to help before then, please don't hesitate to let one of us know!

We are excited to start our journey together, and know that it will be a wonderful year! There is so much to learn, and it is our honor to be your teachers for it all! Enjoy the rest of summer, and we will see you soon!

IMPORTANT EAGLE INFO!	
<b>Open House Date:</b> Thursday, July 18, 2024 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm <b>Recommended Time for Our Class:</b> 1:00 - 2:00 pm Reminder: please complete the Annual Update via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal.	
Program: PM TOPS	Building # 2 Room # 79 Extension # 2790
Schedule: 10:40 am – 3:40 pm Mon - Fri	Teacher email addresses: nicole.tornow@eduprizeschools.net
Students should be on campus, ready to line up 5 minutes prior to the start time listed above.	kassandra.turner@eduprizeschools.net
Check out eduprizeschools.net for the latest updates!	You will receive information regarding carpool and where to line up at Open House.
The first day of school is <u>TUESDAY</u> , JULY 23, 2024.	

All students must be on-time and present the entire day to be considered enrolled at EDUPRIZE.

## Mrs. Tornow and Mrs. Turner Supply List

Please keep the following items in your child's backpack to bring on the first day of school. (This year, students will not be using tubs in their desks like in years past). We will help students figure out how to organize and label these items during the first week of school.

- \$5 payment to Infinite Campus for a planner
- (1) pkg of plastic sheet protectors (at least 25)

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- (2) spiral notebooks (70 page- not perforated)
- (5) paper pocket folders with prongs (green, blue, yellow, purple and orange)
- (1) pencil box for supplies OR a pencil pouch
- (1) box pre-sharpened yellow pencils OR 2-3 mechanical pencils with replacement lead
- (1) pkg of various colored highlighters
- (1) calculator with basic functions (+, -, ÷, x)
- (1) box of colored pencils (Crayola preferred)
- (1) pair of pointy tip scissors
- (1) package of glue sticks
- (1) ruler with inches and centimeters clearly marked
- (1) package of skinny tip Expo dry erase markers (any color but yellow)
- (1) pair of ear buds or headphones

## Shared Optional Supplies (If possible, please bring these items to Open House)

- reams of white or colored copy paper
- lined paper, college ruled
- boxes of tissues
- containers of Clorox/Lysol wipes
- paper towels
- lined index cards

- Papermate Flair pens (dark colors preferred)
- black fine point Sharpies
- chisel tip Expo dry erase markers
- Crayola markers (classic AND fine line)

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## Classroom Wish List:

Lysol spray, Sharpies (black, colored, or ultra-fine point tip), pencil top erasers, whiteboard cleaner, reams of cardstock paper, reams of bright colored copy paper, pencils, water bottles, books for our classroom library, gift cards to craft or office supply stores, individually packaged snacks, lamination sheets, Dum-Dum suckers, Jolly Ranchers... more of anything you wish to donate!

The above 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. My 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. As always, thank you for your continued support!