Dear Fabulous First Grade Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Amy McCracken and I am so excited to be your child's first grade teacher this school year. I truly love teaching and watching students achieve their potential. This school year will be my 21st year of teaching! I have a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from U of A and a master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction from ASU.

I have two children, Isabella, who will be 17 soon and Noah, who is nearly 12 years old. Outside of teaching, I enjoy hiking and kayaking with my family. I am originally from Orange County, CA, but I have lived in AZ for the last 25 years. Our cottages this year include Resource Resort, Bird House, Wavelength Arcade, and Plymouth Plantation. Our year promises to be packed with all kinds of exciting adventures in reading, writing, math, and cottage. Alongside the curriculum, we will incorporate character development in everything we do. This helps promote self-esteem, classroom community, and a love of learning.

Please refer to the attached supply list and bring your child's supplies to open house. Open House is Thursday, July 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 – 7:00 pm for ALL grades. We are having a special Open House to celebrate our 30 years of education! The celebration will be BIG and will include meeting your teachers, seeing their classrooms, picking up important papers and carpool information, and dropping off supplies AND celebrating together with food trucks and PTO activities. It will be a family fun night! The time and date are listed in the table below along with the recommended time for our class. I am looking forward to being your child's teacher this year and I can't wait to meet you. **Please take a few minutes to complete** Mrs. McCracken's Open House Forms prior to our first day.

Kindly,

Amy McCracken

## **IMPORTANT EAGLE INFO!**

**Open House Date:** Thursday, July 17, 2025 from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm

**Recommended Time for Our Class:** 3:00-6:30pm

Reminder: please complete the Annual Update via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

**Program:** Regular

Schedule: 8:00 am to 2:45 pm Mon-Thu

8:00 am to 11:30 am Fridays

Students should be on campus, ready to line up 5 minutes prior to the start time listed

above.

**Building #1** 

**Teacher email address:** 

amy.mccracken@eduprize.com

You will receive information regarding carpool and where to line up at Open House.

The first day of school is TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2025.
All students must be on-time and present the entire day to be considered enrolled at EDUPRIZE.

## Mrs. McCracken's School supply list 2025-2026

## **Student Supplies**

Personal items listed below are going to be placed in student's cubby and need to be **labeled with your child's name:** 

- \* Headphones (unpackaged), feel free to bring the headphones you purchased last year if they are in good working condition
- \* 1 wide ruled composition book
- \*Personal pencil box that will fit ALL of the following supplies: 1 box of crayons, 3 glue sticks, scissors, pencils
- \*4- plastic pocket folders that have 3 prongs

<u>red-</u>homework folder, <u>green-</u>math folder, <u>vellow-</u>reading/writing folder <u>Blue</u> Writing portfolio It is important that these folders have prongs, because sheet protectors organized by me will go inside. Please label your child's name on the front of each folder

\*5 Glue sticks, \*4 pack thin black expo markers, \*student scissors, \*1 package crayons, 1 box of pre sharpened pencils

## Wish List

Please **do not** label these items with your child's name.

1 pack of pencil top erasers

1 extra box of crayons

Gallon and Sandwich sized Ziploc bags

- 4 pack of glue sticks
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 3 containers of Clorox wipes
- 2 reams of white copy paper (extra is always appreciated)
- 2 paper towel rolls
- 1 package black Sharpies
- 5 pack of thin black colored Expo markers
- Playdough
- Prizes
- Plastic water bottles

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