

# Aloha and Welcome to Kindergarten!



## About Ms. Soliven!

Welcome to an exciting school year filled with learning, adventure, and fun! My name is Gillian Soliven and I am so happy to say that I will be your Kindergarten teacher this year! This year marks my 13<sup>th</sup> year of being a teacher. I taught 2<sup>nd</sup> grade for 5 years and Kindergarten for the last 7 years. I also coach JH Cheerleading! I graduated College from Arizona State University, but prior to that I spent my high school years as a cheerleader in Maui, Hawaii. Some things that I absolutely enjoy are: spending time with my 3 beautiful children and our 3 crazy kitties, going for walks to the park, reading a good book, or just practicing handstands! While I love all of these things, my most favorite thing is teaching and being in the classroom! I am SO excited to start our new school year and I am beyond happy that

I get to have you in my classroom this year. We are going to have a wonderful time learning and exploring together! I can't wait! If you would like to "meet" me before you *meet* me, [please click this link here!](#)



## Cottage!

We have so many things to look forward to this year, but a few of my favorites are our four Cottages. This year we will cooperatively learn and investigate the four Cottages of: **All About Me, Celebrations, Habitats**, as well as **Life Cycles**. I just can't wait to get started!



## Open House!

Below you will find information about Open House, as well as our daily start and end time. Open house is a time where you will be able to meet your new classmates, explore your classroom, and be able to say a big hello to your new teacher, me! Although there is a suggested time, I will be available from 3:00-7:00pm in case that time does not work for your family. This year we are having a special Open House to celebrate our 30 years of education! The celebration will be BIG and will include food trucks and PTO activities! At this time you will also be able to collect any important paperwork, dismissal information, and find out where we line up for our first day of school. Attached to this letter you will find a list of school supplies that you can bring along with you to Open House. Please continue to check [www.eduprize.com](http://www.eduprize.com) for any schedule changes for the upcoming school year.



### IMPORTANT EAGLE INFO!

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| Open House Date: Thursday, July 17, 2025 from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm                                      |   |
| Recommended Time for Our Class: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm  |   |
| <i>Reminder: Please complete the Annual Update via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal.</i>             |   |
| Program: AM TOPS  | Building # 1  |
| Schedule: 7:15 am to 12:15 pm   | Room # 15 Extension # 1150  |
| Monday- Friday  | Teacher email address:  |
| <i>Students should be on-campus, ready to line up 5 minutes prior to the start time listed above.</i> | <a href="mailto:gillian.soliven@eduprize.com">gillian.soliven@eduprize.com</a>            |
|   | <i>You will receive information regarding carpool and where to line up at Open House.</i> |
| The first day of school is TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2025.  |   |
| <i>All students must be on-time and present the entire day to be considered enrolled at EDUPRIZE.</i> |   |

# Classroom Supplies

The following supplies should come to Open House **labeled** with your child's name:

- \_\_\_ 1 plastic pencil box (approximately 8"X5" and snaps shut, please write your child's name on inside)



(click to see example)

- \_\_\_ 4 boxes of 24 Crayola crayons (regular size, **not** the chubby ones. Please place 1 box in your child's pencil box. I will hold the rest to replace throughout the year.)

- \_\_\_ 1 pair of Fiskars Scissors (placed in pencil box)

- \_\_\_ 1 pair of over the head headphones (these will be kept at school all year)

- \_\_\_ 1 Primary composition notebook **with picture box**-any color



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The following items **do not** need to be labeled

- \_\_\_ 1 box of #2 Ticonderoga pencils (sharpened)  
\_\_\_ 1 4-pack of black **fat** Expo Dry Erase Markers  
\_\_\_ 1 bottle of unscented hand soap (boys)  
\_\_\_ 1 package of glue sticks **not** jumbo (girls)  
\_\_\_ 1 roll of paper towels (boys)  
\_\_\_ 1 box of tissues (girls)

## Class Wish List



[Please click this link here](#) to visit our class wish list!

Any donations are greatly appreciated.

Items listed below are things we are **always** in need of restocking throughout the year, so extras are always appreciated!

- ✧ Copy Paper
- ✧ Tissues
- ✧ Paper Towels
- ✧ Clorox Wipes
- ✧ Black Expo Dry Erase Markers (fat)
- ✧ Dollar Store items for Treasure Box
- ✧ Snacks/Water Bottles (in case of emergency)

