

Dear Parents and Students,

I am Amanda Feltes, and I am so excited to be your child's AM kindergarten teacher this year! I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. I can't wait to kick off this school year with you!

I am originally from Chicago, Illinois, and went to school at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, where I studied elementary and special education. I also played college soccer for the Huskers- Go Big Red! This will be my seventh year of teaching. I have taught at EDUPRIZE for four years. Prior to that, I was a special education teacher for two years in Lincoln, Nebraska, before moving to Arizona. Outside of school, I love spending time with my husband and baby boy. I also enjoy being active at the gym and watching sports. I look forward to learning more about you and your family!

Over the course of this school year, I will do everything I can to give your child the best kindergarten experience possible. Along with discovering new skills in reading, writing, and math, we will also discover science and social studies through our kinder cottages! First, we will celebrate ourselves, and our kindergarten friends. We will learn about our families, our pets, our school, and our community. We will also learn about celebrations around the world, habitats, and life cycles. We will even get to observe some life cycles right in our classroom! It is going to be such a fun year!

Our first opportunity to meet will be at our informal Kindergarten Open House on Thursday, July 17, 2025, from 8:00-9:30 a.m. You will get a chance to meet me, see our classroom, and familiarize your child with this new upcoming adventure. You are welcome to bring your child anytime during this period. Please bring all suggested supplies to the Open House so that I can be ready for your child on the first day of school. I can't wait to meet you!

<u>The first day of school is Tuesday, July 22, 2025.</u> Your child must be on time and present for the entire day to ensure enrollment at EDUPRIZE. School begins at 7:15 a.m. and ends at 12:10 p.m. All kindergarten students will line up outside by the kindergarten playground. Please be in line and ready to start each school day at 7:10 a.m.

If you have any questions, feel free to email me at amanda.feltes@eduprize.com

Your teacher, Mrs. Feltes

Mrs. Feltes' Supply List EDUPRIZE Kindergarten 2025-2026

The following is a list of supplies that your child will need for the upcoming school year. **Please bring school supplies to Open House on Thursday, July 17th.**

Please label with your child's first and last name

- 1 pencil box please buy a simple open and close type without zippers or buckles Please place the following items inside:
 - □ 2 pencils sharpened
 - □ 1 pack of Crayola brand crayons (24 pack)
 - **1** pair of children's scissors (please label with name)
- **1** pair over the ear headphones with a cord (no earbuds)
- **1** durable pocket folder with fasteners (any color)

No Need to label the following supplies:

- **1** box of 24 Crayola crayons (classic colors)
- **2** packages of glue sticks
- **1** box of Crayola Markers (thick)
- **1** box of colored pencils
- **1** package of construction paper (one color instead of variety pack)
- **1** set of Crayola Watercolor Paints (8 colors)
- **2** packages of **thin** Expo dry erase markers (black, please)
- **2** rolls of paper towels
- **1** package of page protectors
- **1** bottle of hand sanitizer (pump kind, please)
- **1** container of antibacterial wipes
- **1** box of tissue
- GIRLS: 1 package of paper plates and 1 box of gallon Ziploc bags
- **BOYS:** 1 gentle hand soap **and** 1 box of Ziploc sandwich bags

Wishlist Items: If you'd like to choose a couple items from our wishlist, I've given some ideas of frequently used supplies that we use throughout the year.

*small Dixie cups	*colored paper
*large bag M&M's or Skittles	*cardstock paper (white)
*treasure box items (small prizes/party favors)	*thick Expo dry erase markers (color)
*mini water bottles	*Post-It notes
*scented markers	*multi-colored stamp pads