Welcome to Pre-K

My name is Kamalani Hansen, and I am beyond excited to be teaching Pre-K at EDUPRIZE! While this will be my first year as an EDUPRIZE Teacher, I have been teaching Preschool and Pre-K for 22 years. Young learners are my FAVORITE! I can't wait for all the learning and experiences we will have together this year.

My family has lived in the Queen Creek area for almost 21 years, and we love it here. My daughter was even an EDUPRIZE student when they first opened. She's now grown up and married, so it's just me and my husband (and our 10-year-old bunny). We love traveling together, hiking, and trying new food. We will celebrate 27 years of marriage the same week I start at EDUPRIZE. Outside of school, I teach piano, am working on my Master's Degree in Early Childhood Special Education, and love working out. I am a home-body and LOVE any time spent with my family.

I am looking forward to getting to know you. We will spend the first little bit getting to know our classroom family and learning our classroom routines and expectations. We will focus on kindness and respect with our classmates, while learning how to communicate our needs with each other and solve problems. Our learning adventures will involve exploration and development of motor skills, dramatic play, sensory play, music, name recognition and writing, letter and sound recognition, shapes, colors, counting (rote and I-to-I), patterning, sorting, and simple graphing. Our days are going to be filled with lots of learning and fun.

Our first opportunity to meet will be at Open House on Friday, August 22nd, from 12:00-1:30 p.m. Meetings will be done via sign-up, every 15 minutes, with approx. 3 students during each session. A sign-up link will be sent out. As a note, Open House will be for parents and students only, since school is in session for other classes. Please come to Room 22, so we can meet, tour our classroom and find out where to line-up outside for the first day of school. Please remember students will begin their day by entering the gate on the far right of BUILDING ONE. Parents must sign students in and out, each day, with date, time, and signature. You MUST park in the parking lot, cross at the crosswalk, and walk down to the gate. Please be responsible and safe by following these guidelines.

The first day of school is **Monday, August 25th**. Students will have class **MWF from II:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m**. I cannot wait to meet you all! We are going to have a FANTASTIC year!

Kamalani Hansen (Miss K.)

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