

Welcome to 6th Grade!

Mrs. DeFina (Rm. 84),
Ms. Ramberger (Rm. 85),
& Ms. Sutton (Rm. 83)

Welcome to an exciting year in 6th grade! This year, you will get the opportunity to switch classes between Mrs. Defina, Ms. Ramberger, and Ms. Sutton.

We are looking forward to meeting all of you at our **Open House** on **Monday, July 20th, from 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.** Open House is a great way to meet your teacher and help you get ready for the upcoming school year!

Our **first day of school** is **Wednesday, July 22nd**. Our regular day program is Monday-Thursday from 7:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m., and on Fridays class is from 7:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m. **STUDENTS MUST BE ON TIME AND PRESENT ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL TO BE CONSIDERED ENROLLED AT EDUPRIZE.** At Open House you will receive information about where to line up OUTSIDE on the first day of school, and you will also receive your school-issued Chromebook if your agreement form has been submitted. Which is located within the Annual Student Update. We will be there on the first day at **7:40 a.m.** to bring you into the classroom.



Mrs. DeFina
ELA

Hello! I am Mrs. DeFina, and I will be your child's ELA teacher this year! I have been teaching for 22 years, 19 of them at EDUPRIZE! I graduated from ASU with a degree in Elementary Education and have taught ELA in sixth grade for 13 years. I am married and have four kids: Chloe, Rafael, Mateo, and Maria. Maria is a sixth grader, and the rest are all adults! We also have two grandchildren, Violeta and Anelani. I absolutely LOVE to read (and swim) and hope I can encourage your child to love reading as well. In ELA we do a fair amount of writing and my goal is for my students to feel successful at that as well. Written expression is so important now, and moving forward, in education. I can't wait to meet each and every one of you!

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MS. RAMBERGER
MATH

Hi there! My name is Kara Ramberger and I have the honor of being your child's sixth grade math teacher! This is my 15th year teaching at EDUPRIZE. I have a B.A. in Elementary Education from Arizona State University. I'm looking forward to a year full of learning, growing, laughing and making memories!

I have two kids. My daughter, Peyton, is 12 years old, and my son, Axl, is 10 years old. I enjoy hanging out with my kids, swimming, riding bikes, reading, crafting, and playing with our pets (3 dogs, 8 cats, 10 chickens, 2 leopard geckos, 1 tortoise, and 1 bearded dragon!)

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**Meet
Your
Teachers**

MS. SUTTON
COTTAGE/SOCIAL STUDIES

Hello, everyone! My name is Amber Sutton, and I am so excited to be back teaching 6th-grade cottage and social studies at EDUPRIZE this year. I was born and raised right here in Arizona and graduated from Northern Arizona University. This marks my 13th year in the classroom, and my 2nd year at EDUPRIZE, and I couldn't be more thrilled for another amazing year. When I'm not teaching, you can usually find me curled up in a bookstore, hanging out with my pets, or planning my next travel adventure. We will be studying four new and exciting cottages: **Atomic Avenue, Rainforest, Observatory, and Imperial Highway.** I'm looking forward to a fantastic year of learning, exploration, and growth together.

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EDUPRIZE SCHOOLS 6th Grade Supply List

****Please note:** students will be moving to different classrooms throughout the day and most of their supplies will travel with them. Please label personal supplies with your child's name.

CHECK OFF	QUANTITY	ITEM	USAGE - PERSONAL - LABEL CHILD'S NAME CLASS - BRING TO OPEN HOUSE
	1 pack	Index cards, 3 x 5	class
	1	Ream of white copy paper	class
	1	Earbuds or headphones (no bluetooth or wireless); these are SO important.	personal
	1	Basic Function calculator	personal
	1	1 subject notebook	personal
		Pocket folder(s) or a binder, however you prefer to organize yourself	personal
	3-5	Highlighters, any color, so important to have in ELA class	personal
	2 packs	THIN Expo markers and CHISEL (large) Expo markers; one of each please	class
	1 pack	Markers (thin or regular)	personal
	1	Ruler	personal
	1 pack	Colored pencils	Personal
	1 pack	Regular pencils	personal
	1 pack	College lined paper	personal
	1 pair	Scissors	personal
	2	Black Sharpies (ULTRA FINE)	class
	1 pack	Glue sticks; these are used all year long in social studies and science, the more the better!	class
	1	Hand soap or hand sanitizer	Class
	1 roll	Paper towels	class
	1	Box of tissues	class
	1	Sanitizing wipes	class
	1	Mindful coloring book; kids love these on heat advisory days!	Wish List
	1	Auction Items (chocolates, sweets, chips, cookies, dollar store 'toys,' water bottle stickers) We will also be reaching out about this throughout the year. :)	Wish List