



Welcome to 1st Grade!

With Betsy and Sheila

Hi Families!

I am Betsy Flores, your child's first grade teacher, and joining me is Sheila Huerta, our amazing classroom paraprofessional. Together, we are thrilled to welcome you to our first grade classroom!

We look forward to a year filled with learning, growth, and fun. Our goal is to create a safe, supportive, and engaging environment where every child can thrive academically and socially. A key part of our classroom culture is built on our core values: Respect yourself, respect others, and respect the environment. These principles guide our daily interactions and help foster a positive, inclusive classroom community.

We are excited to partner with you this year and are here to support both you and your child. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns at betsyflores@rencharter.org.

To help your child prepare for first grade, please have them complete the summer packet. Incoming first graders are expected to:

- Write in complete sentences independently
- Know their letters and letter sounds
- Write simple 3-4 letter words (example: cat, tap, this, chip)

Over the summer, also practice reading the following sight words:

a, am, all, and, are, be, can, come, do, does, for, go, have, he, I, is, like, little, look, make, me, my, said, see, she, some, the, they, to, was, we, you

You will find the supply list attached at the end of this packet.

We look forward to meeting you in September and kicking off an amazing school year together!

Warmly,
Betsy Flores & Sheila Huerta



¡Bienvenidos a 1.º Grado!

Con Betsy y Sheila

¡Hola Familias!

Soy Betsy Flores, la maestra de primer grado de su hijo(a), y conmigo está Sheila Huerta, nuestra increíble paraprofesional del salón. ¡Juntas estamos muy emocionadas de darles la bienvenida a nuestro salón de primer grado!

Esperamos un año lleno de aprendizaje, crecimiento y diversión. Nuestro objetivo es crear un ambiente seguro, solidario y estimulante donde cada niño(a) pueda desarrollarse tanto académica como socialmente. Una parte fundamental de nuestra cultura en el aula se basa en nuestros valores principales: Respétate a ti mismo, respeta a los demás y respeta el entorno. Estos principios guían nuestras interacciones diarias y ayudan a fomentar una comunidad positiva e inclusiva.

Estamos muy emocionadas de colaborar con ustedes este año y estamos aquí para apoyar tanto a usted como a su hijo(a). No dude en comunicarse con cualquier pregunta o inquietud al betsyflores@rencharter.org.

Para ayudar a su hijo(a) a prepararse para primer grado, por favor ayúdelo(a) a completar el paquete de verano. Se espera que los estudiantes entrando a primer grado puedan:

- Escribir oraciones completas de manera independiente
- Conocer las letras y sus sonidos
- Escribir palabras simples de 3 a 4 letras (ejemplo: cat, top, this, chip)

Durante el verano, también practiquen la lectura de las siguientes palabras de uso frecuente (sight words):

a, am, all, and, are, be, can, come, do, does, for, go, have, he, I, is, like, little, look, make, me, my, said, see, she, some, the, they, to, was, we, you

Encontrará la lista de útiles escolares adjunta al final de este paquete.

¡Esperamos conocerlos en Septiembre y comenzar juntos un increíble año escolar!

Con cariño,
Betsy Flores y Sheila Huerta



First Grade Supply List

Please label all personal school supplies with your child's first and last name!

Personal Supplies

- ☐ (7) labeled plastic folders
 - ☐ Blue- Science and Social Studies
 - ☐ Green- Homework
 - ☐ Red- ELA
 - ☐ Purple- Mandarin
 - ☐ Yellow- Writing
 - ☐ Orange- Coloring Sheets
 - ☐ Black-TRIP
- ☐ (3) labeled and colored wide ruled marble notebooks (you can also color the edges of the notebooks)
 - ☐ Green-Homework
 - ☐ Red- ELA
 - ☐ Blue- Social Studies
- ☐ (1) zipper fabric pencil pouch (no big, plastic pencil cases. They will not fit in their desks and will be sent home if brought to school)
- ☐ (1) box of Crayola crayons (24 count)
- ☐ (1) package of 10 count washable Crayola markers
- ☐ One change of clothes in a bag labeled with your child's name
- ☐ A *reusable water bottle* with your child's name on it. **NO GLASS BOTTLES!**

Community Supplies

- ☐ (2) boxes of 24 Ticonderoga **sharpened** #2 pencils
- ☐ (3) Elmer's glue sticks
- ☐ (5) large erasers (Paper-mate Pink Pearl erasers are preferred)
- ☐ (1) box of gallon ziploc bag
- ☐ (5) Expo- **Block** dry erase markers
- ☐ (1) Roll of paper towels
- ☐ (2) boxes of facial tissues
- ☐ (1) packet of baby wipes
- ☐ (1) pack of post-its
- ☐ 1 payment of \$25 for class dues (holiday projects, parties, art materials etc.)

Optional

- ☐ (1) 8-10 pack of Play-Doh