

Kindergarten Handbook  
Weatherford Campus  
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Dear Parents,

I am so grateful for the opportunity to teach your precious children. I am looking forward to getting to know my students and their parents over the next few months. I want to take this opportunity to tell you a little bit about myself. My husband, Jason, and I have lived in Weatherford for 25 years. Jason is a Licensed Professional Counselor and the Director of Outpatient Services for Red Rock Behavioral Health Services. We have 2 sons Jonah (22) and Ethan (16). I have a degree in Communication Arts from Southern Nazarene University and my Elementary Teaching Certification from Southwestern Oklahoma State University. This is my 21<sup>ST</sup> year of teaching at WOCS and my 19<sup>th</sup> year to teach Kindergarten. I truly feel that this is where God has called me to serve. Please feel free to send me a message using the group me app with any questions or concerns at any time. You may also e-mail me at [wkindergarten@wocs.org](mailto:wkindergarten@wocs.org)

I am very excited about our class this year. Our class list is as follows:

Indie Collins   Ella Daniel   Tripp Kerth   Slade Merritt   Sterling Swiney



## **Field Trips**

We normally take four fieldtrips each year. Our first field trip will be to P-Bar Farms in Hydro and our last field trip will be to the Blue Zoo in OKC along with the Clinton and Elk City Kindergarten classes. The other two are not finalized yet, but I am hoping that we will be able to do our CBA field trip this year.

## **Parties & Special Days**

We love to celebrate in Kindergarten! Feel free to bring treats to share with the class on your child's birthday. Please let me know a couple of days ahead of time so that I can work this time into our schedule.

We will have 3 scheduled parties this year. You will receive more information about these parties as we get closer to the dates.

Christmas Party – December 19 @ 12:30

God's Love Party – February 14 @ 2:00

Resurrection Party – March 28<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00

## **Homework**

There will be no assigned homework until the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter. We will begin reading homework in January. I do occasionally send work home to be completed that was not finished in class. If your child frequently brings papers home to complete, it is usually a sign that he or she is not using his or her class time wisely. All papers sent home need to be completed and returned the next day.



### **Grades & Lesson plans**

During the first quarter, students will be assessed using a Satisfactory/Needs Improvement notation. Letter grades will be given in Kindergarten beginning with the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. Report cards are issued at the end of each quarter. There are two scheduled times for Parent-Teacher conferences during the school year. These times are at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters. However, a conference may be scheduled by a parent or teacher at any time. Please feel free to call and schedule a conference if needed. You may access our Kindergarten lesson plans via your FACTS account. I have all of my lesson plans for each day posted under the “homeroom” tab.

### **Show and Tell**

We will be having show and tell each Friday beginning in October. Your child is encouraged to bring something to show the class or an interesting fact or story to tell the class each Friday. Show and Tell helps children learn to communicate effectively in front of their peers and is a valuable part of their education.



### **Discipline Plan**

All students are expected to obey and exhibit appropriate behavior in the classroom. I have found that children will strive to the level of the teacher’s expectations. For most classroom issues, I will give 2 verbal warnings and follow

up with disciplinary action on the 3<sup>rd</sup> warning. Initial disciplinary actions may include loss of privilege such as recess, snack, center time or any other fun activity. I will not notify parents every time I take away a privilege. Many of these will be typical Kindergarten offenses which require no follow up at home. If we are having trouble with a consistent behavioral issue, or if I feel the issue needs further attention at home, I will then send a note to notify the parents. If after implementing the above actions we are still having discipline issues, it may then become necessary to schedule a conference with the parents.

### **Snacks**

In Kindergarten we have one morning snack each day. I will send a snack calendar each month so that you will know which days you will be responsible to provide snacks. I will also send a reminder bracelet home with your child the day before he or she is to bring snacks. Please send enough snacks for 5 students.

### **Tuesday Folders**

The hub of communication here at WOCS is our Tuesday folders. It is imperative that parents read all information in the folders carefully and mark their calendars for upcoming school events. I will occasionally need students to bring things from home for a lesson or activity. This information will be in the Tuesday folder. Please complete all of the “return to school” items and send them back in a timely manner. I appreciate your cooperation in helping us to communicate with you in the most effective manner.

