

Guests

Please feel free to stop by any day to eat lunch at 10:50 with us. All guests are required to sign in at the office. If you need to schedule a conference with me, please call or email me at least two days ahead of time to set up an appointment.

Snacks



Snack time is 2:00 p.m. Please send a healthy snack daily. I do not provide snacks, and we are not allowed to share food for any reason.

Transportation

If your child is going home a different way than usual, you must send written notification or e-mail by 1:00. Bus riders must have a signed permission slip to either ride a different bus or to get off at a different stop other than their own.

Volunteers

I look forward to receiving any help you would like to offer! There are many ways through which you can contribute, such as being a room parent, chaperoning field trips, donating supplies, and joining the Parent Teacher Organization.

Communication



I value parent involvement. I encourage you to be involved with your child's education by becoming active in the school and maintaining constant communication with me. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns!

You can contact me through e-mail, the school phone, or by simply sending a note with your child. Please feel free to contact me in the way you are most comfortable. I will do my best to keep you informed on your child's progress throughout the year by means of a take-home folder with graded papers and personal notes, e-mails, conferences, and phone calls.



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Teacher Note



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to my first grade class! My name is Courtni Coleman and I am so excited to have the privilege of teaching your child this year! ☺ As a teacher, my personal goal is to learn as much about your child as possible so that I can be the best teacher to him/her that I can be! I will do my best to teach your child according to his/her unique learning style, interests, and experiences. I am looking forward to a wonderful year!

About Me

I am from Birmingham, Alabama. I attended the University of Montevallo on a full academic scholarship. While there, I enjoyed being a member of the Student Alabama Educator's Association, the Student Council for Exceptional Learners, Kappa Delta Pi, Sigma Alpha Pi, Teacher's Education Committee, Dean's Student Advisory Committee, Links-Up Mentoring, and Habitat for Humanity. I graduated Magna Cum Laude in December 2008. After graduation, I taught Kindergarten at my alma mater W. J. Christian K-8 School. I then taught First Grade and Fifth Grade at Tuscaloosa Magnet School. I've been at Rocky Ridge since 2011, where I've taught Third Grade for three years and First Grade for the past four years. This will be my tenth full year in the classroom.

My number one love is teaching! Besides that, I love spending time with my loved ones, reading, listening to music, and shopping.

Classroom Expectations

Expectations are necessary to keep our learning environment running smoothly. We will go over the expectations regularly during the first couple of weeks, and then as needed during the rest of the school year. They are as follows:

- ✓ Be Respectful
- ✓ Be Responsible
- ✓ Be Respectful

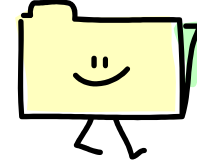
Children need positive reinforcement, and there will be a reward system in place, which will include praise from me, certificates/awards, and notes home to parents (praising student).

Consequences are also important in keeping our learning environment running smoothly. If a child breaks a rule, consequences will be implemented in the following order:

1. Verbal Warning
2. Alternative Physical Activity @ Recess
3. Note Home/Behavior Reflection & Improvement Plan and/or Phone Call to Parents
4. Office Referral

I will use a daily behavior calendar as a means of informing you of your child's behavior. Please sign or initial it nightly.

S.U.R.F. Folder



Students Using Responsibility in First Grade Folders will come home every day. Please check this for graded papers, classwork, notes, flyers, and other important information. Also, please review and discuss the graded papers with your child, then sign and return them. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns about your child's work or progress.

Homework

Read, read, read, and read some more! Each night, I ask that you try to spend at least 15 minutes reading to and with your child. After you finish reading, discuss the reading with your child. Complete the word building and monthly homework calendar activities. I will also send home activities if your child needs extra practice, which will be determined on an individual basis.

Money

Please send all money and checks sealed in an envelope labeled as follows:

Name of Student

Ms. Coleman

Purpose (Fieldtrip/Lunch/Pictures, etc.)

Students should turn in the envelopes to the money drawer when they come into the classroom in the morning.