## Team Brackett News



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### WELCOME

My name is Mrs. Brackett and your child is now a member of my winning team - Team Brackett! Our class is named this because I strongly believe that children need to be able to work together as a team in order to succeed. This is my 23<sup>rd</sup> year teaching in DPS. I have taught kindergarten and first grade and have also been a Reading First Literacy Coach. I am a National Board Certified Teacher in Early Childhood Education. I am also the mother of three boys. So you can see, I have had lots of experience with children this age.

I look forward to getting to know your child and work together with you to make this their best year yet! If you have any questions for me, please feel free to ask. I am available both before and after school and also by email. I ask that you DO NOT call during class hours as I will be busy teaching your children and cannot talk on the phone.

## Breakfast

Breakfast is served every morning to all students upon arrival at school. At 9:25 promptly it will be cleaned up. If your child is tardy, they will miss breakfast. I do not keep extra food in the classroom.



## **Bus Students**

We have not been provided a bus rosters yet. If your child is riding the bus, please send a note with:

- Student name
- Bus Route
- Corner Stop

Bus students will be put on the bus EVERY day unless you send a note in the morning that they are getting picked up.



#### Entry and Dismissal

One of my goals this year is to help your child develop independence. I ask that you say good-bye to your child at the school entrance and pick them up at the Margareta door. I will not dismiss chilren to anyone, parent or otherwise at the classroom door without a note from the office declaring it an emergency. I appreciate your cooperation in this as it will help our class develop orderly routines.

#### Attendance

In order for your child to be successful this year, it is important that he/she attends class EVERY DAY on time and stay for the entire day. If your child is not in school, I will be calling your home.

#### Schedule

Our schedule is a little confusing this year. The class will be going to gym and computers once a week as a whole group. At other times a portion of the class will go to gym while I work with small groups of students in the classroom. A more detailed schedule will be coming soon.

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