

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to my class and the 2024-2025 school year! I eagerly await a great year with you at Arthur S. May. The upcoming year will be filled with new friends, adventures, and discoveries. This is my 15th year teaching special education. With extensive experience teaching children with communication and/or behavioral challenges, I am confident in supporting your child this school year.

Families play a crucial role in education, and regular communication between home and school is essential. Together, we can promote your child's maximum growth and development. Updates will be sent through notes, completed class work, and individualized assignments. To ensure we stay connected, we will use a communication notebook, along with emails, phone calls, and ParentSquare messages. Please feel free to share any comments or questions at any time.

In this classroom, every child is valued, and each milestone will be celebrated. Our goal is to help students of all ability levels reach their maximum potential for success. We emphasize skills that can be applied beyond the classroom to foster success in various environments. Together, we will focus on behavior, language, and social-emotional skills to support your child's development.

Through working as a team, we can make this an exciting and productive year for your child. I look forward to starting our school year!

Sincerely,

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