



Welcome Bowman First Graders!

Dear First Grader,

We are going to have so much fun learning this year. I can't wait to meet you. First grade is exciting. You will learn many new things and make new friends.

Here are some things that you can practice to help you be ready for first grade:

- Tie your shoes/zip and button clothing
- Write your first and last name with capital and small letters
- Say your full address
- Count to 100
- Write your numbers from 1 to 20 (no reversals)
- Practice addition and subtraction facts to 10
- Say the days of the week starting with Sunday
- Write your ABC's in capital and lowercase
- Practice the sounds of all of the letters
- Practice reading these words: a, at, an, and, am, can, do, go, he, in, I, is, to, we, it, like, me, my, no, see, she, so, the, up, said, on, look, here, her, you

Here is the link to the supplies that all first graders will need to have when they start school:

[BPS K-2 School Supply Lists](#)

The children in our class will also need:

- 1 roll of paper towels**
- 2 black Expo dry erase markers (chisel tip)**
- 1 pack of sharpened colored pencils**
- 1 pack of washable markers (broad point)**
- *Lysol wipes- the more the better. Thank you!**

In order to make your child's first day of school a smooth and easy one, **please help by making sure his/her supplies are ready to use and bring ALL supplies to your scheduled conference day.** Take all of the glue sticks, erasers, and pencils out of the packaging. Please sharpen all #2 pencils. Place scissors, 1 box of crayons (taken out of the box), 1 pink eraser, 3 sharpened pencils, and 2 glue sticks inside the supply box and write your child's name on the outside of the supply box. Then, put all of the extra supplies inside a large Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name. Put headphones (taken out of the packaging) in another large Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name. Also, you may want to stock up during back to school sales for extra supplies to replenish in January. With your help, we can start learning and doing great things right away! We are going to have a wonderful year. See you soon.

Sincerely,
Ms. McGinness