



# Welcome Bowman Kindergarteners!

Dear Kindergartener,

Welcome to kindergarten and classroom Z04! My name is Amy Strawser and I will be your teacher this year. This is my 25th year of teaching! I am looking forward to a new year full of learning, friendship, and fun! I can't wait to meet you. Kindergarten is exciting. You will learn many new things and make new friends. Be sure to greet me with a big smile when you see me, and I will do the same!

## **Here are some things that you can practice to help you to be ready for kindergarten:**

- Pack and unpack a backpack independently
- Write your first name
- Say your first and last name
- Count to 10

## **Here are the supplies that all kindergarteners will need to have when they start school:**

### **All Students bring:**

Water bottle with a spill proof lid

Mask or appropriate facial covering (recommend to have more than one)

3 glue sticks - jumbo size .77 oz

3 boxes Crayola crayons- 24 count

1 box sharpened Ticonderoga #2 pencils

1 pair of headphones (No earbuds please)- please remove from box and place in baggie with your child's name

1 backpack - with straps that your child can open/close independently and large enough to hold a pocket folder (no wheels please)

1 plastic pencil box -labeled with name

1 pair of solid Fisker scissors, blunt tip

1 box of skinny yellow highlighters

1 box of low odor black EXPO dry erase markers- 4 ct

1 container of Clorox wipes

### **Boys in each class provide:**

1 box of Ziploc gallon-size baggies

1 box of tissues

1 package of baby wipes

### **Girls in each class provide:**

1 box of Ziploc quart-size baggies

1 bottle of hand sanitizer (pump style)

1 roll of paper towels

Hello Parents!

I am delighted to be your child's kindergarten teacher this year! I'm looking forward to learning about your child's personality and strengths! My main goals for your child are for him/her to be successful in a safe and nurturing environment and to develop a love for learning and school. I greatly value your participation in your child's education! I believe that home-school communication is a vital key to your child's success in school. Please feel free to email me any time you have questions or concerns. I will do the same. I hope we can be partners in education this school year to work towards the success of your child!

In order to make your child's first day of school a smooth and easy day, please help by making sure his/her supplies are ready to use. **Take all of the supplies out of the packaging. Sharpen all your child's #2 pencils ahead of time. Place scissors, 1 dry erase marker, 1 box of crayons, 1 highlighter, 1 glue stick, and 2 pencils inside of the pencil box and write your child's name on the box. Then, put all of the extra supplies inside of a large Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name. Take headphones out of the packaging and place in a separate large ziploc bag with their first and last name clearly labeled on the front of the bag. Please bring ALL of the supplies to school with you on your scheduled conference day.** Also, you may want to stock up during back to school sales for extra items to replenish in January if needed. 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,  
Mrs. Amy Strawser