

Welcome

to First Grade



Dear Families;

Welcome to another exciting year at Discovery Elementary! I'm Sean Ferguson. I began teaching in a 3rd/4th Combination class in 1993. I taught 4th grade for an additional 6 years after that. Since then I've taught technology to Kindergarten through 5th grade, literacy intervention for Kindergarten through 2nd, and Physical Education for Kindergarten through 5th.

I spend as much time with my family as I can. My hobbies are reading, watching movies, and, of course, technology. I have a wonderful wife and equally wonderful daughter who currently studies applied ecology at MTU.

We will take a break for a morning snack to help us get through 'til lunch. Please send a healthy snack each day. Junk food is discouraged, as is anything that needs heating or may be extra messy. Fruit cups or fresh fruits or veggies are ideal. Also, the nearest drinking fountain is two classrooms down the hall. In order to prevent unnecessary distraction or loss of class time, I do not let students go to the drinking fountain during class. Each student is encouraged to bring a reusable water bottle that they can use and refill through out the day. If you would like to donate little bottles of water or snacks for class for students that are not able to bring their own, it would be appreciated. Discovery classrooms will all be nut free this year for the safety of our students with nut allergies. Please double check and refrain from sending any snacks that "may contain" tree nuts.

It would be very helpful if your child had the following school supplies:

- spiral notebooks (2)
- 2 pocket folders (3)
- supply box
- crayons (16 count)
- reusable water bottle
- head phones
- facial tissues (2)
- antibacterial cleaning wipes (2)
- dry erase markers

Please put your child's name on **all** personal items, shoes, coats, packs, etc. Pencils and erasers are considered community property.

Also, we have a prize box. If you have any small trinkets or meal prize toys that are in good condition and you want to get rid of them we can use them for our prize box.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

- At school 655-2855 ext. 4350
- My cell phone 980-2727
- E-mail ferguss@gowcs.net
- ClassDojo Messenger

Feel free to check the class webpage, <http://neptunewcs.weebly.com/>. It has links to many resources, overviews of class units, and a link to the class blog that will begin being updated shortly. It also has a summary of our current Reading and Math objectives for the current week or chapter. There is also a calendar that will show upcoming class events, test dates, etc.

I use ClassDojo to provide communication to you on student behavioral expectations and performances. Check the ClassDojo information page for more information and a link to the ClassDojo site.

Together we can make great things happen!

Sincerely,

Mr. Sean Ferguson