

Dear Parents,

As the school year begins, I would like to introduce myself to you. My name is Ms. Luera, and I look forward to teaching your child this year.

I would like you to know my philosophy of education.

- I believe children deserve respect.
- I believe children should not be humiliated, hurt, or embarrassed intentionally.
- I believe a child's self-esteem should be nurtured tenderly.
- I believe my job is to teach until a child learns, rather than punish until learning takes place.
- I believe that we do not need to be afraid of making mistakes. I believe that if I am willing to say, "I am sorry," when I make a mistake, the students will learn the same.
- I want all children to enjoy the learning process, and I want to help them to develop their own motivation for learning. I hope to do my best to encourage your child to succeed in their attempts to learn.
- I believe modeling is the most powerful way to affect a child's learning. Please model the love of learning at home by reading to and in front of your child. In addition, set aside a well-lit and quiet area with adequate space and supplies for your child to study. The study areas should be in a place not far from the rest of the family.

Please feel free to contact me through Class Dojo with any questions or concerns you may have this year. I am looking forward to an exciting and challenging year!

Sincerely,

Ms. Luera

CLASSROOM PLAN

Dear Parent,

I am delighted that your child is in my class this year.

I have developed a classroom discipline plan, which affords every student's guidance in making good decisions about his or her behavior and thus an opportunity to learn in a positive, nurturing classroom environment. Your child deserves the most positive educational climate possible for his or her growth, and I know that together we will make a difference in this process. The plan below outlines our classroom rules and consequences, both positive and negative, for appropriate and inappropriate behavior.

Class Rules

- 1. Respect yourself and respect others.**
- 2. Raise your hand to speak.**
- 3. Respect the school environment.**
- 4. Allow your teacher to teach.**
- 5. Complete all your work.**

To encourage students to follow all rules, I will recognize appropriate behavior with praise, positive notes, class dojo, and phone calls home.

However, if a student chooses to break a rule, the following steps will be taken.

First time:	Warning
Second time:	10 minutes away from group
Third time:	Call parent
Severe Disruption:	Send to Principal

Please ask your child to review this classroom plan with you, and then sign the form below. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this plan or any other matter.

Teacher's Name: Ms. Luera

Room Number: 14

I have read the classroom discipline plan and have discussed it with my child.

Child's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

Request for Information

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year. Please fill out the contact information and return this form to me ASAP. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Luera

Student Name: _____

Birth Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Medical Concerns: _____

SPECIAL INFORMATION:

My child likes to be called _____

My child likes to _____

The thing my child enjoys about school is _____

My child participates afterschool in _____

One thing I really enjoy about my child is _____
