

Welcome to First Grade!



Florence Brasser

2021-2022



Meet Mrs. Pendino

Mr. Pendino and I are graduates of Gates Chili!
We both attended Washington Irving. I also
attended Paul Road and Walt Disney.

I have taught in Gates Chili for 22 years. Prior to
GC, I taught in Rochester for 10 years, and I was
a stay-at-home mom for 8 years. I have taught
first grade, kindergarten and preschool.

Hobbies: I like to read, camp, hike, travel, watch
movies, dine out and shop, and spend time
with family and friends.

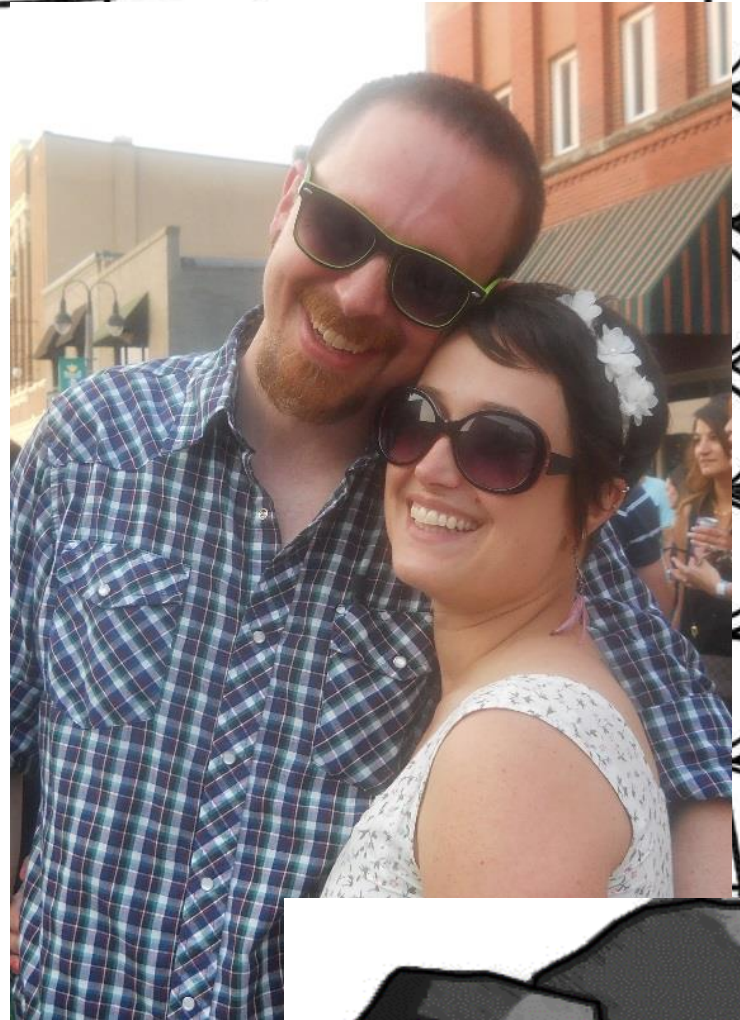




My Family!

My daughter, Brandy Rinck, graduated from Gates Chili in 2001. She lives in Seattle, Washington. Brandy is a Geo-Archeologist.

Her husband Jack is from Iowa. He is also an Archeologist.



Remote Learning



My Family and Grandbabies!

Summer Fun!



My son, Jake Rinck, graduated from Gates Chili in 2004. He lives right here in Gates.

We have two wonderful grandchildren! Alexa is 9 and Jaxon is 6.

They attend Paul Road School. This is the third generation in our family to attend Paul Road!



Brasser's 1st Grade Teachers

Mrs. Galliford

Mrs. Altobelli

Mrs. Pendino

Mrs. Laude

Mrs. Smeaton





Communication

***Daily Take Home Folder -**
Please check it every day!

***E-mail is the best way to contact me:**

deborah_pendino@gateschili.org

***Monthly Newsletters**

***School Phone: 247-1880**

**Schooltool
Progress
Reports are
no longer
printed out.**



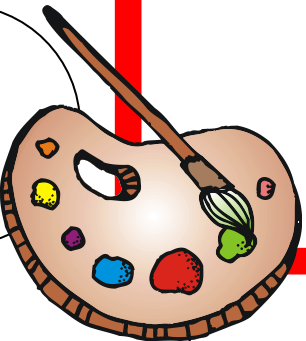
Specials

Music- Mrs. Dunn

Art- Mr. Fish

Library- Mrs. Postell

Gym- Mr. Lewis, Mr. Vanderhoof





The Spartan Way!



**I will notify you via a note and/or phone call if your child is having a challenging day.*

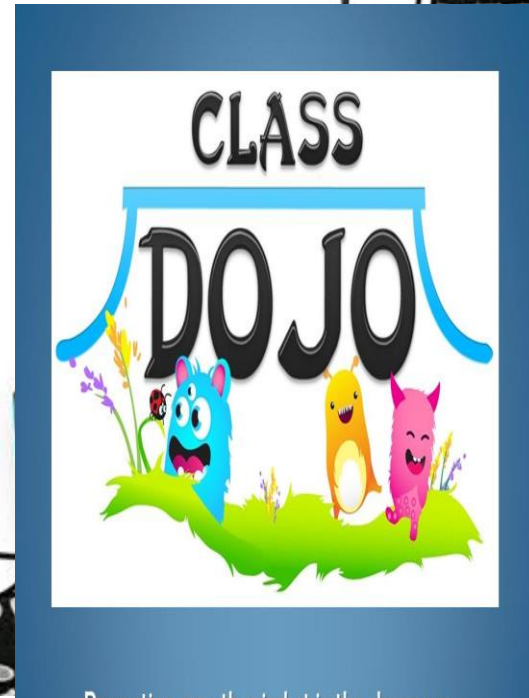
The Brasser Way Every Day

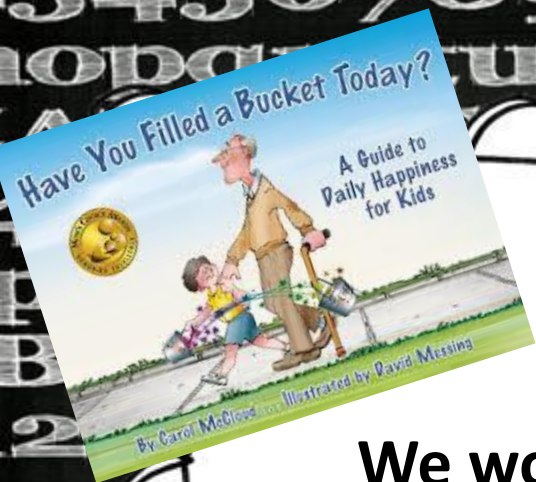
Respect

Responsibility

Hard Work

Compassion





Fill a Bucket

We work hard to obey the Gold Star Rules and be “bucket fillers” not “bucket dippers!”

We are working together as a class team to collect “Trinkets” to fill our class bucket:

25 = treasure box prize

50 = movie & popcorn

75 = ice cream party

100 = popsicles & playground



Social Emotional Learning

We learn about social, emotional and problem solving strategies from Second Step Lessons.

Topics include:

- Feelings
- Social Development
- Skills for Learning
- Conflict Resolution Strategies



Lunch and Snack

Lunch

Please refer to your monthly lunch menu for daily choices.
Lunch menus can stay at home.

Snack

We have a 10 minute snack break every day. Good choices are crackers, fruit, veggies, cereal, popcorn, pretzels, granola bars that are quick and easy to eat.

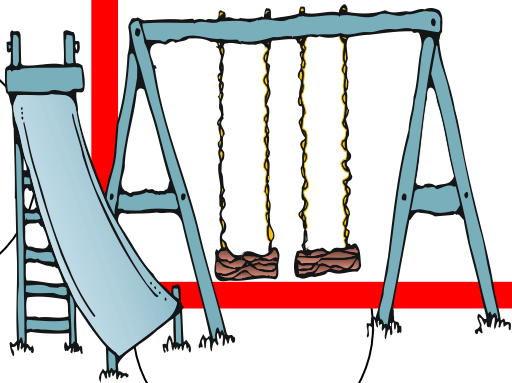
Please send in only healthy finger foods. Desserts like cookies, snack cakes and candies will be returned as a treat for home.



Recess

Please dress your child for the weather. We will go outdoors when it is cold outside as long as it is dry. You may want to put a sweatshirt in your child's book bag so they can participate if it is cool outside.

Please send in gloves and hats as it gets colder.



Individualized Word Study, Reading and Writing

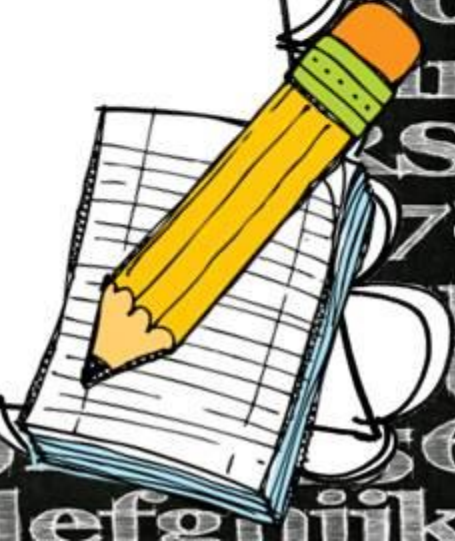
Phonics, Spelling Patterns, High Frequency
Words Resources:

Heggerty and Fountas & Pinnell Phonics

Reading and Writing Resources:

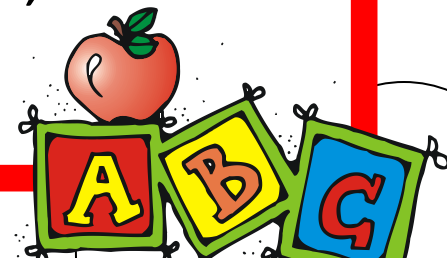
Lucy Calkins Units of Study

Handwriting: Handwriting Without Tears



Reading

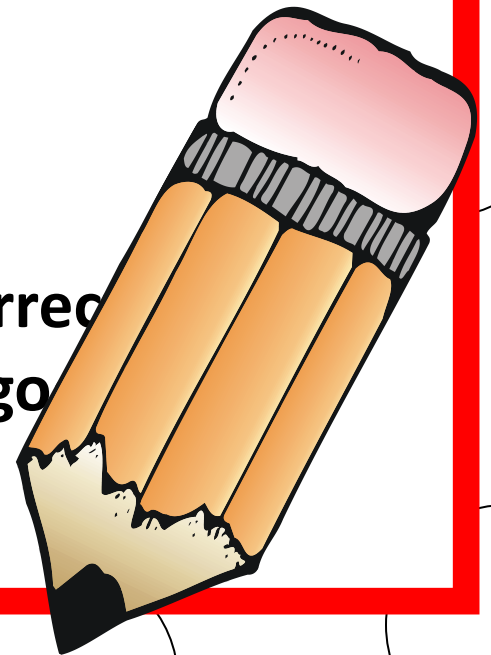
- The District has created curriculum that aligns with the New York Standards.
- Teachers use multiple resources to meet the needs of all learners.
- All students have the opportunity to work at their own pace.
- Read alouds, shared reading, guided reading, independent reading, genres such as fiction, non-fiction, informational and poetry.



Writer's Workshop

- Narrative: Small Moments
- Persuasive: Opinion
- Informational: Non-Fiction
- Narrative: Realistic Fiction, Series

We focus on complete sentences with correct capitalization, spacing, punctuation and good penmanship.



Every Day Math



Calendar routines, Weather, Place Value, Adding, Subtracting, Patterns, Shapes, Word Problems, Number Concepts, Money, Time and much more! The more your child practices these concepts at home, the stronger they will become!

**Side Note – please practice tying shoes, too!



Science and Health

Science Topics:

Life Science

Earth and Space

Light and Sound Waves

STEM Exploration

Health Topics:

Healthy Habits

Nutrition

Personal Safety

Dental Hygiene



Social Studies

Topics:

Families

Needs and Wants

Maps

Community

Citizenship

Holidays

Current Events



Homework

- RED **Read Every Day Folder** for Daily Reading
- Review work in the Communication Folder
- Support Academic Needs:
 - *Word Work
 - *Phonics Skills
 - *Writing Skills
 - *Fine Motor Skills
 - *Math Concepts ("My Reference Book" and Family Letters)
- Occasional Projects
- Play and Talk!



Frequently Visited Websites

**We Use
Classlink!**

Raz-Kids

ABCya

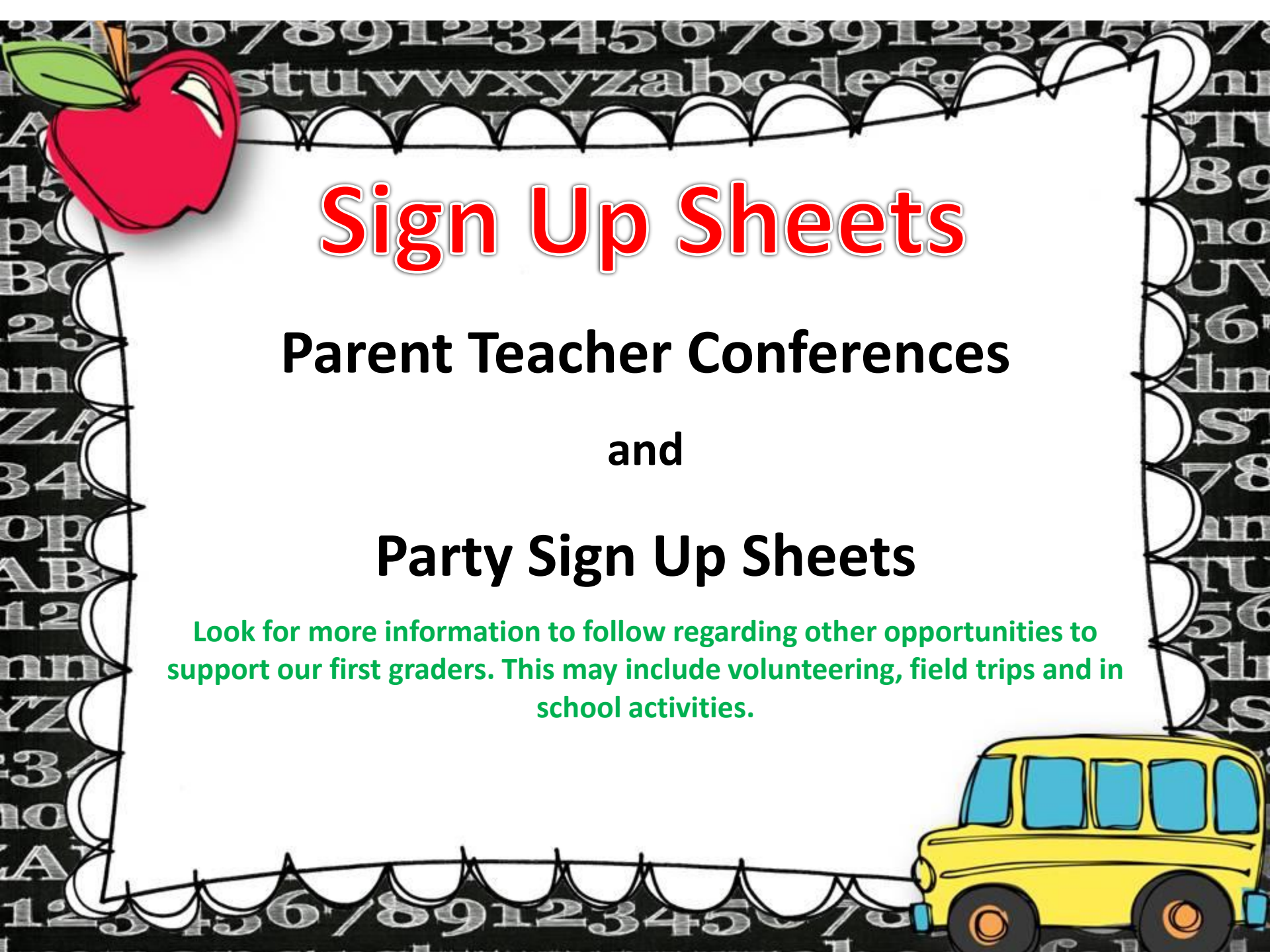
Starfall

Brainpopjr

Pebblego

Scholastic News





Sign Up Sheets

Parent Teacher Conferences

and

Party Sign Up Sheets

Look for more information to follow regarding other opportunities to support our first graders. This may include volunteering, field trips and in school activities.



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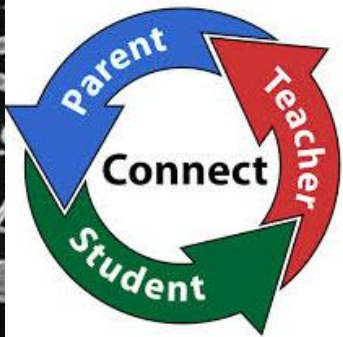
I promise you every day your child will learn something.

Some days they will bring it home in their hands.

Some days they will bring it home in their heads,

and some days they will bring it home in their hearts.

Thank you!



Next Stop: The Gym 😊

