

Welcome to Room 211

Challenger Elementary

2023-2024

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Parent Information

Our Schedule & Specialists

With multiple grades in our classroom, schedules vary. Below are some routine times and days for you to know:

Bell Times:

9:15am – 3:40pm

Early Dismissal – Every Wednesday:

9:15am – 1:30pm

Snack, Recess & Lunch:

Snack: 9:45am & 2:45pm

Recess: 10:45am & 2:30pm

Lunch: 11:40am

PE:

Ms. Shafer: Tuesdays & Fridays

Mrs. Radigan: Mondays & Thursdays

Mrs. Gerber: Tuesdays & Fridays

Ms. Yasumiishi: Tuesdays & Fridays

Music:

Ms. Shafer: Mondays & Thursdays

Mrs. Radigan: Tuesdays & Fridays

Mrs. Gerber: Mondays & Wednesdays

Ms. Yasumiishi: Mondays & Thursdays

Library:

Ms. Shafer: Tuesdays

Mrs. Radigan: Tuesdays

Mrs. Gerber: Thursdays

Ms. Yasumiishi: Tuesdays



Attendance

Please contact the school to report an absence and let our Transportation Department know, too!

Challenger's Main Office:

425.837.7550

Attendance Email:

chattendance@issaquah.wednet.edu

Please include:

- Student's first and last name
- Date of absence
- Teacher's name
- Reason for absence

Transportation Department:

425.837.6333



Parent Information

Communication Notebook

Please send your child's communication notebook to school every morning.
We will use this notebook to send materials home in as well.

Parent Portion:

Date:

This morning, I was feeling...

Sleep:

Breakfast:

Note from HOME:

Program Staff Portion:










Note from SCHOOL:

Student Portion:

Today, I was mostly feeling:

I worked really hard during:

I tried my very best in:

This morning, I was feeling...		Date: _____	
Sad	Happy	Excited	Mad
Sleep: <input type="checkbox"/> I went to bed late. <input type="checkbox"/> I woke up early. <input type="checkbox"/> I slept well.		Note from HOME:	
Breakfast: <input type="checkbox"/> I did not eat. <input type="checkbox"/> I ate some breakfast. <input type="checkbox"/> I ate all my breakfast.		Note from SCHOOL:	
Today, I was mostly feeling:			
			
I worked really hard during:		 Speech	 OT
I tried my very best in:		 PE	 Music
		 Library	



Supplies

Please set your child up for a great day at school!

Grade Level Supplies:

Each grade level has a specific list of supplies that is required for your child. The list can be found on Challenger's website. Please purchase the items and return them to school as soon as possible. Thank you!

Water Bottle:

Please send a water bottle to school each morning. Label the water bottle with your child's name.

Snacks & Lunch:

Please provide 2 healthy snacks and a lunch (if your child is not purchasing a lunch from school) every day. Uneaten food will not be thrown away, rather returned in the lunchbox. Label all items.

Extra Clothes:

In case of an accident (weather-, toilet-, or art-related), please provide an extra full set of clothing for your child to keep at school. Label all items.

Toileting Supplies:

If applicable to your child, please send in an adequate supply of diapers, wipes, and extra underwear to keep in the classroom. Program staff will inform you when supplies are running low at school.

Rain Boots & Extra Shoes:

If you know your child prefers to wear rainboots while at recess or enjoys stomping in puddles, please send in a pair of rainboots to keep for outdoor times!



Program Staff

Special Education Teachers:

Jaime Mallamo (K-2)

Hailey Palm (3-5)

General Education Teachers:

Rachael Shafer (K)

Natalie Radigan (1)

Natalie Gerber & Niki Yasumiishi (2)

School Principal: Jennifer Kessler

Dean of Students: Linda Ogden

School Psychologist: Kerry Shallcross

School Nurse: Shelby Boehm

Paraprofessionals:

Ms. Anitha, Ms. Ivy, & Ms. Kate (K-2)

Ms. Andrea, Ms. Don, & Ms. Usha (3-5)

Speech-Language Pathologist: Sarah Burd

Occupational Therapist: Danielle Silvernail

Physical Therapist: Morgan Seifert

Multilingual Learner Teacher: Lindsay Askins

PE: Paola Arenas

Music: Kevin Proudfoot

Library: Meagan Rhodes



Curriculum

Really Great Reading

Explicit

Systematic

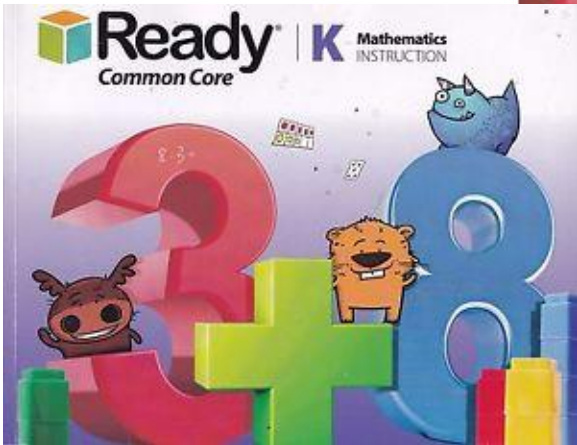
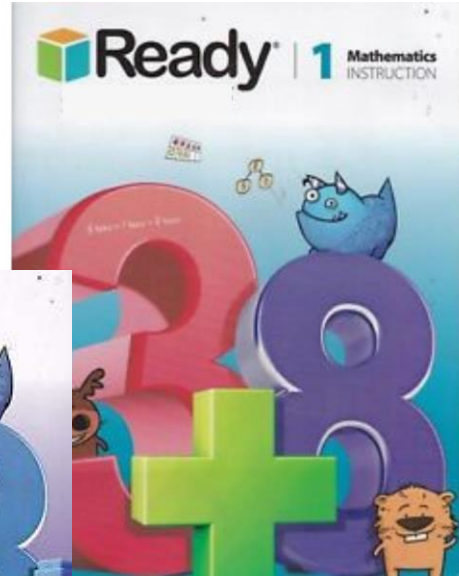
Multisensory

Focuses on foundational skills:

- phonological awareness
- phonemic awareness
- phonics & letter knowledge
- high frequency words



Curriculum



Ready Math

Focuses on foundational skills:

- Hands on materials
- Centers based
- Flexible assessments

Curriculum

Social Emotional – Second Step



Whole class instruction for early learners:

- listening
- paying attention
- managing behavior
- getting along with others

ALL ABOUT ME!

Welcome to Challenger!
My name is Paola Arenas or Ms. A,
and I am the Health & Fitness
teacher. I hope that this year we will
run a lot and have fun in the
different activities and games
proposed this year.

FAVORITES:

Food: Arepas

Place: Beach

Book: Crime & Punishment

Subject: Math

Movie: Encanto!

ABOUT ME!

Experience: 15 y

Family: 1 daughter

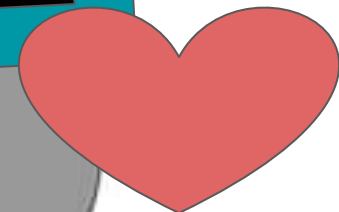
Pets: 2 cats

Hobbies: read and
watch movies!



contact me:

arenasp@issaquah.wednet.edu



Challenger Music Information

Challenger Concerts

All are Wednesdays at 6:00pm

Kindergarten and

1st Grade 3/20/2024

2nd Grade and

3rd Grade 2/7/2024

4th Grade and

5th Grade 3/6/2024

Comet Choir 3/13/2024

Concerts this year!

Students will work on a program of music to share with you for an evening show!



Questions or comments? Email me at

Kevin Proudfoot
Music Teacher
Challenger Elementary

ProudfootK@Issaquah.wednet.edu

HELLO MY NAME IS
MEAGAN RHODES
LIBRARIAN



- Library will always be on the same day - **mark your calendar**
- If your child misses their library day or time, they can come during **open library** to return books and check out new ones
- Students can **renew** library books if they are still reading them
- If you would like to **volunteer** in the library email Meagan at RhodesM@issaquah.wednet.edu

**LIBRARY
BOOK LIMITS**

KINDERGARTEN	2 BOOKS
1ST GRADE	2 BOOKS
2ND GRADE	3 BOOKS
3RD GRADE	3 BOOKS
4TH GRADE	4 BOOKS
5TH GRADE	4 BOOKS



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Classroom Wishlist

Items we always need:

- Velcro dots
- Lamination Sheets
- Mr. Sketch Markers
- Play-Doh
- Bubbles



Thanks for coming!

