



Welcome to
1st Grade



2024-2025 School Year

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to 1st grade! My name is Kristina Kash, and I am excited to introduce myself as your child's 1st grade teacher for the beginning half of the school year! It is an honor to have the opportunity to teach and support your children throughout this exciting journey of learning and growth.

I have a true passion for teaching and have been an educator for 14 years. I hold a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Scranton in Elementary and Special Education. I also hold a Master's Degree from CUNY Hunter in STEAM. I have had the privilege of teaching various grades from K-6. This will be my second year being a part of the Butler family, and I am incredibly grateful to be a part of this amazing community!

First grade is a time of exploration and discovery, and I am committed to creating a classroom environment that is both stimulating and supportive. We will focus on building essential skills in reading, writing, and mathematics, while also fostering creativity, critical thinking, and social-emotional development. Instructionally, my emphasis is not only on academics, but also on developing social skills and responsibility. In the classroom, you can expect me to be enthusiastic, positive, kind, and honest with your child. In terms of management, I use a combination of firmness and consistency, as well as open communication with you.

You are your child's first, and most important, teachers. Your involvement and support in the school community is the key to our having a successful, positive school year. Email is the easiest way to get a hold of me during the day, but we can always schedule a phone call or conference when needed. Also, feel free to send in notes with your child, and please check your child's folder daily for any communication from me.

More of your questions will be answered at Back to School Night in September. We will have time to discuss curriculum, procedures, policies, opportunities for volunteering in the classroom, etc. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns! My email is kkash@cbsd.org.

Looking forward to a fantastic year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kristina Kash