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Dear EPCS Families,

Welcome to Fourth Grade!! This school year will be filled with fun and exciting learning opportunities. We cannot wait to see all of you on our first day of school, September 4th.

**Fourth Grade Community of Learners**

The fourth grade teachers are looking forward to building not only classroom communities but also providing opportunities for the grade level to become a close working community. Fourth grade is departmentalizing during the 2024-2025 academic year. Students will receive instruction from both teachers. As a fourth grade teaching team, we will use our expertise and experience to benefit all fourth grade students.

Ms. Welish: Hi Fourth Graders! I can’t wait to see you in September! I grew up in Bergen County and attended Franklin and Marshall College in Pennsylvania where I majored in English Literature as well as Classical Archaeology and Ancient History. When I graduated, I joined Teach For America and taught in Miami, Florida for three years. I then returned to New Jersey and have been a teacher at EPCS for the last nine years. I am thrilled to be teaching you Math and Science. I look forward to a GREAT year together. See you soon!

Mrs. Stephens: Hi Fourth Graders! I am looking forward to meeting you in September. I grew up in Teaneck and live in Bergenfield. I graduated Rutgers with a BA in Sociology and went to Fairleigh Dickinson University for my teaching degree. I taught in Palm Springs, California for a year and came back to New Jersey. I am excited to be teaching you Reading/Writing and Social Studies. I look forward to a GREAT year together. See you soon!

**Classroom Supplies**

We thought you would appreciate a list of supplies so that you can catch the great “Back to School” sales. Please send the following supplies with your child on the first day of school. Please label all supplies with your child’s name or initials.

**Required Items**

* 1 box of sharpened pencils
* 1 box or wedge erasers or pencil topper erasers
* 2 glue sticks (no liquid glue please!)
* 1 3 subject spiral notebook Wide Ruled 10.5 x 8 inches

(Reading, Writing and Social Studies will be in one notebook) Ex: <https://www.amazon.com/Five-Star-Notebook-Subject-73623/dp/B07DPLQMF9/ref=sr_1_5?dib=eyJ2IjoiMSJ9.ztCmqVdcjRBRcH3g5pNV3eO9qXDAw1XHqxuhppMxLe7jXZgjida0A2MosqPZpNtYa4ssKOaFv1gomxghV9YadP8BNEPPQv6mw5V9sIY-PDEH6_wEnuUGgSUZWSRpN3oAigCpmB7dXke8aCsqnrMZlCoQd9o-5UASjBoVBaQSCSWmLfVeZ0PB1M2_QedD6yE8FF6MymmMG5v88VI9udzj2oq3tMZeFd-upXhM03wOpJ0v0xG__505YTR4k0cSKYZDSUX5aRo0wnOUlwGkfQ823WoagjwE-mnI5fTlpkgdhpE.r2-1quUCmUrqk5_uR6cvbzoETbbLHWBydWI6fdYukDg&dib_tag=se&keywords=3+subject+notebook&qid=1716921540&sr=8-5>

* 1 Wide Ruled composition notebooks
  + Please don't label it, we’ll do that in class
* 3 folders
  + Please don’t label it, we’ll do that in class

**Optional Individual Items:**

**\*\*we have class sets of these items but some students prefer their own\*\***

* 1 box of 24 crayons
* 1 box of 8 or 12 colored pencils
* 1 box of 8 or 12 markers
* 1 pair of child safety scissors
* 2 highlighters
* 1 pencil box (that will fit all the above supplies)
* Headphones (with a plug, not with Bluetooth connection)

**Optional Classroom Items (but very much appreciated!)**

* 1 container of hand sanitizer

**Back to School Night**

We look forward to seeing you at Back-To-School Night, which will be held on Thursday, September 19th.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at [sara.welish@englewoodcharter.org](mailto:sara.welish@englewoodcharter.org) or [arlene.stephens@englewoodcharter.org](mailto:arlene.stephens@englewoodcharter.org) You can also call the main office at 201-569-9765.

Sincerely,

Ms. Welish and Mrs. Stephens