Welcome to Kindergarten!

We are so excited to have you in our kindergarten classes at Jana! The team of kindergarten teachers have been working hard to get ready to start our virtual school year. We know the start to this year looks different in many ways, but we are here to help and answer as many questions as possible. Kindergarten is such a special year and we can't wait to share this experience!

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About the Kindergarten Teachers:

Ms. Adams

My name is Caroline Adams. This will be my 2nd year teaching kindergarten at Jana Elementary and I can't wait to start the year! I graduated from Truman State University with a Masters of Arts degree in Elementary Education and a certification in Early Childhood Education. In my free time I like to run, read, and hang out with my friends and family. I am looking forward to working with your child this year!

Mrs. Stiehr

My name is Debbie Stiehr. This is my first year teaching at Jana Elementary! I had the wonderful opportunity to stay at home with my three children for the last fifteen years. I have recently completed my masters degree in early childhood education and am excited to start this next chapter of my life. I enjoy spending time with my husband and children as well traveling, reading books, and watching movies.

Ms. Epping

My name is Megan Epping. I graduated from The University of Central Missouri with a degree in Early Childhood Education in 2017. This will be my second year teaching kindergarten at Jana. In my free time I love playing volleyball, cheering on the Chiefs and Royals, and spending time with my family and friends! I'm looking forward to another great year as a Jana Tiger!

Parent/Teacher Relationships:

Parent/teacher communication is very important to ensure your child's success. We believe that working as a team and having a positive relationship with our families will help provide the best possible experience and outcome for our students, especially in a virtual school setting! Please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher at any time with questions or concerns.

Virtual Classroom Rules:

- Be on time login time is 8:50 AM
- Work in a quiet place
- Be prepared have materials ready, chromebook charged, and headphones on
- Wear school-appropriate clothing
- Stay in camera view
- Stay on mute when your teacher or classmates are talking
- Stay focused and be an active participant
- Be respectful, kind, and considerate

Virtual Learning - What you need to know:

- **Google Classroom:** Students will sign into Google Classroom daily. This will be where they will get all their assignments and announcements for the day. Each classroom teacher's Google Classroom code is listed at the bottom of this letter.
- Google Meets: This will be where students join their classmates with video to learn the lessons for the day with their teacher. Students will also have their special area teachers visit here for their assigned time.
- Class Dojo: Class Dojo will be used as a behavior management system. Students will work to earn points each day by following the classroom expectations listed in the Tiger Pledge. We will also be able to communicate easily through Class Dojo by using the "messages" tab (you can of course email us or call as well).
- **Materials:** The following materials will be referenced throughout our virtual learning. Please help students make a designated spot for all of their school materials in order to be prepared. Texts: Social Studies, Reading, Science Journals, Math.

Schedule:

Students will be expected to be logged in from 8:50 to 3:50.

8:50-9:00 - Morning Announcements

9:00-10:00 - ELA

10:00-10:30 - Fundations

10:30-11:45 - Math

11:45-12:00 - Recess

12:00-12:30 - Lunch

12:35-1:30 - Writing

1:30-2:30 - Specials

2:35-3:05 - Science

3:10-3:50 - Social Studies

Tiger Pledge/Student Expectations:

I am <u>respectful</u> of others
I am <u>responsible</u> for myself and my actions
I am <u>cooperative</u> with others
I am <u>safe</u> in all settings
I am <u>ready</u> to start my day

Sincerely, The Kindergarten Team