



Welcome to Carrillo, Kindergarten!

Welcome to the 2024- 2025 school year! My name is Celina Morales and I would like to express my excitement at having your child in my class this year. We have an outstanding year ahead filled with many first-time experiences to explore and learn. I have been in education for 24 years. I am a native Tucsonan and graduate of the University of Arizona (GO CATS!) I also have proudly completed my master's at NAU! In my career, I have not only been a teacher, but an assessment/ data coordinator, reading specialist, interventionist, mentor, and coach. I am married to my husband of 28 years and together we share 4 beautiful children. I love dancing, listening to music, traveling, walking, watching sunsets, and making memories with my family.

I am extremely excited to be your child's teacher this year. I work hard at establishing an atmosphere of respect, cooperation, and compassion. I am passionate and dedicated to providing the best educational experience possible for your child. I look forward to getting to know each of you.

Please review the following information.

Newsletters: Newsletters go out every Monday. I provide information on weekly and monthly events.

Homework: Homework packets will be given out every Monday and turned in on Fridays. Your child will be provided with a homework folder.

Classroom Discipline Plan: Please review the attached form and be sure to go over it with your child, sign and return to school.

Classroom Environment: It is cold in our room. If your child gets cold quickly, please make sure to provide a sweater to keep in his or her backpack for daily use.

Snacks: We will need snacks for our children. Since lunch is early in the morning, afternoon snack is a must. If you can provide snacks for our classroom, that would be appreciated. Snacks include fruit, fish crackers, cheez- it, pretzels, graham crackers, granola bars, popcorn, chex mix, etc. Thank you!

School Hours: School begins at 8:35 a.m. and dismisses at 2:45 p.m. (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday) Wednesday dismissal is 1:45 p.m. It is especially important that your child be at school and on time every day. Please try to plan appointments after school every minute counts. I have attached the district calendar for your records.

Extended Day: Extended day is our afterschool extension where your child is enrolled for an additional hour and half in an extracurricular activity. Cost is \$100 per child/ \$50 for each additional child. All fees are quarterly. If you have any other questions, please contact the office for help, 225-1200.

Lunch: Lunch is available for all students. Please fill out a lunch form online on tusd.org. These forms help fund our site so please take the time. There are different options for lunch daily please refer to the lunch menu available online. I will do my best to send a paper menu monthly. All home lunches are welcome and suggested, if possible, for the first two weeks of school to help us all adjust to the routine of the cafeteria.

Volunteering: Please be aware that the first three – four weeks are geared towards building relationships with student and teacher. Following that period, I am happy to welcome volunteers. Send an email or phone contact so I may have a focus for your time. TY

Communication: The first week I will be sending out ClassDojo information. This is an app for you and I to stay in close contact. Keep an eye out for this new info.

Supplies: see attached flyer

It is essential to build parent-teacher relationships, so I consider us a team in your child's education. If you have any other pending questions, please feel free to contact me here at the school, 225-1200 or email (Celina.morales@tusd1.org) Let's get this year started!

I am looking forward to getting to know you and your child,

Mrs. Celina Morales

“**EDUCATING** the mind
without **EDUCATING**
the heart is no education
at all.”

Aristotle
Sunday - Sep 9, 2012(12:37 pm)