

Welcome, kindergarten families!

I am Julie Letofsky. I'm honored to be your child's kindergarten teacher and to work with you this year. This is my first year at CEE and I'm happy to join this lovely school community.

Kindergarten is an amazing time for children. They will become readers, writers, and mathematical problem solvers. They'll explore the world through science, social studies, and technology. Here at CEE, your child will also enjoy PE, music, library, art, and Spanish classes each week.

I strive to assure our classroom is a safe and respectful place, where children engage in purposeful, focused, and joyful learning activities all day long. Different learning styles are recognized and encouraged as everyone strives to learn and grow. At CEE, we recognize children's strengths and we individualize instruction to challenge and support their growth and development.



Get ready!

- The daily **CEE uniform** is a navy, black, or khaki bottom with a solid polo shirt. Wednesday is Spirit Day; your child may wear a CEE spirit shirt and uniform bottom.
- Send a **lunch, water bottle, and backpack** every day. Label each with your child's name.
- We have P.E., lots of classroom movement activities, and a great playground for recess. Comfortable, flexible **running shoes** are the best choice for your child every day!
- See the attached **Supply List** for items your child will use this year. All donations appreciated!
- We love **family volunteers!** Look for a sign-up sheet at the Meet the Teacher event.

Mark your calendar!

- **Meet the Teacher** is **Thursday, August 2, 5-6 p.m.** Meet Ms. L. and new kinder friends! Explore our classroom. You can also drop off supply donations at this time.
- **School begins** on **August 6.**

About Ms. Letofsky

I always wanted to be a teacher. I studied elementary education at the University of Northern Colorado (B.A.1980) and at Arizona State University (M.Ed. 1988). I achieved National Board Certification as an Early Childhood Generalist in 1998, 2008, and 2018. I hold Arizona certifications in early childhood education, elementary education, and as a reading specialist. I've taught kindergarten, first, and second grade children in my 34-year career.

My husband, Dr. Mark DeGrow, is a high school chemistry/physics teacher. We are avid readers. We love cheering our favorite baseball and hockey teams. We travel around the USA whenever we can. We especially love spending time with our three grown children and four grandchildren.



Ms. Letofsky was in kindergarten once...a long time ago!

We'll have a class web site up and running soon, where you'll find photo galleries of your children at work and at play and tons of great family resources.

I look forward to meeting you!

Ms. Letofsky's Kindergarten Supply List

All donations appreciated!

- \$20 classroom fee for educational supplies and periodicals.
Pay at the front office.
 - 1 3-ring binder; 1-inch, black preferred
 - 3 spiral notebooks (one each of red, green, blue); "college ruled" lines
 - 12 Elmer's glue sticks
 - 1 small bottle Elmer's glue
 - 1 pair scissors
 - 2 packages of #2 pencils
 - 2 boxes of 24-count crayons
 - 2 packages of Crayola washable markers
 - 1 package of colored pencils
 - 1 package of dry erase markers; thin ones preferred
 - 1 ream of white printer paper
 - 1 box of clear sheet protectors
 - 1 set of headphones; no earbuds, please
 - 3 boxes of Kleenex/tissues
 - 1 package of baby wipes
 - 1 container of sanitizing wipes
 - 1 box of zip-loc bags; gallon size preferred
- Other items we love:
- Fun stickers and small treasure box items
 - Packages of colored construction paper
 - Colored dot markers (also called bingo markers)

Please label headphones with your child's name.

No need to label other items.

Thank you so much!

