



meet the TEACHER



About Me... Hello! I am **Mrs. Krager**. I live in Hudson with my husband Derek. We have three children, Brady, Cameron, & McKenna & a grandson, Tatum. We also enjoy the company of our 3 dogs & 4 cats! They all keep us very busy! 🐾🐾

I attended SUNY Cortland where I received my Bachelors of Arts in Elementary Education & my Masters Degree in Reading. I love to learn about teaching reading to First Graders! I have taken courses in American Sign Language, too. I have spent over 25 years teaching First Graders!

About Me... Hello! I am **Ms. Newman**. I live in Hudson with my partner Hannah. We have four children, Sofia, Milan, Stone and Orion. We also have a dog, 2 cats, 4 fish, and a tortoise. They keep us very busy with dance classes, baseball and swimming! We love going hiking and crystal hunting. 🧙‍♀️

I attended SUNY New Paltz where I received my Bachelors of Arts in Elementary Education. My Master's degree is in Special Education. I have taught in Germantown for 5 years! I love to learn about how to help students become independent in their learning environment!

My Favorites...

Here are a few of my favorite things!
Food: Mexican Food
Drink: Diet Pepsi
Treats: Twix & Oreos
Hobby: Drawing, Reading, & Puzzles
Subject: Reading
Color: **Purple**
I can't wait to learn about all your favorites!

My Favorites...

Here are a few of my favorite things!
Food: TACOS
Drink: Raspberry Seltzer
Treats: Oreos and Peanutbutter Cups
Hobby: Crystal hunting and puzzles
Subject: Math
Color: **Red**
I can't wait to learn about all your favorites!



About First Grade... Welcome to the 2024 - 2025 school year and welcome to our class! First grade is such a fun year with so many wonderful learning activities to celebrate. In order to have a fun year, our most important goal is to create a family of learners. We read, write, spell, work on math, science and social studies topics. We emphasize character strengths through our Positivity Project. We enjoy art, music, physical education, computer, and library. First grade is the best!

MY PROMISE TO YOU

I promise you every day your child will learn something.
Some days they will bring it home in their hands.
Some days they will bring it home in their heads,
and some days they will bring it home in their hearts.



We have the pleasure of having your child in our First Grade class this year. We will be working on reading, writing, math, science, and more! First Grade is such an important year. This year will look a little different from Kindergarten. We're excited to tell you all about it!



To help our students learn, practice, and master first grade skills, this class will be co-taught. Coteaching is when two certified teachers are present in the classroom and they work together through the teaching process: planning, teaching, and assessing progress. Students frequently have different learning styles and preferences. Coteaching often allows those different needs to be more easily met. We both bring our specialties to the classroom: Mrs. Delamater brings 25 years of grade level and reading experience and Ms. Newman brings a decade of experience in Special Education and Therapeutic Crisis intervention.



Having two teachers in the same classroom looks different depending on the activity we're doing in class and the needs of the students.

- ★ Sometimes we like to split the class into two groups with each teacher teaching one of the groups; this allows for a smaller teacher-to-student ratio for more complex topics.
- ★ Occasionally, one teacher will pull a small group aside for additional-support instruction while the other teacher assists students with an extension assignment. This way, students receive additional help when needed or they receive meaningful extension activities led by a teacher
- ★ The possibilities are endless!

Odds n' Ends

 **The first day of school is Thursday, September 5, 2024.**

Bring your supplies on the first day. Any Wishlist or extra supplies can be brought another day to lighten up your kiddo's backpack on the first day.

 **Pack a snack every day.**

Children are usually hungry by the afternoon. A snack will help power them through their afternoon tasks.

 **Send in a water bottle each day.**

(preferably a flip top to avoid spills). Students will be able to refill their bottles in the water fountain refilling station as needed. Staying hydrated is so important!

 **Pack/wear sneakers for PE/recess time.**

 **All sign ups will be done through Sign Up Genius.**

When there is an opportunity to sign up for meetings, volunteering, snacks, etc., a link will be sent via email & Seesaw messaging.

 **Seesaw** is our main source for communication.

Please contact us with any questions, comments, or concerns you may have. We welcome & value parent communication! If you are new to the district, we will send Seesaw information home so you can sign up for the app. Otherwise, you are all set!

Make sure you enable notifications for the app so you can be alerted when we send you a message or post pictures.



We use Seesaw for:

- Messaging & communication (instead of email)
- Newsletters & reminders
- Photo sharing (Your child's journal page & the classroom blog)