



Hello, Franconia Kindergarten Friend!

Welcome to Kindergarten! My name is Mrs. Mill and I am SO excited to be your teacher this year! I have taught several grades during my eleven years as a teacher (kindergarten, 1st, 4th and 5th), but kindergarten is my absolute favorite to teach! When I am not in the classroom, I like to spend time with my own children- Ashleigh (21), Patrick (19), Gavin (15) and Jake (12). We live nearby in Sellersville and spend a lot of time at baseball and soccer fields. We also like to play with our golden retriever named Cori. I look forward to learning about you and your family this school year, too!

Some things you can look forward to this year in kindergarten are: reading many great stories, writing, counting, singing songs, playing games, painting, building, learning about apples, pumpkins, animals, plants, ponds and much more! You will make many new friends this year in kindergarten, too!

I can't wait to meet you at the Kindergarten Orientation on August 28th and look forward to our first day of school together on August 29<sup>th</sup>. Until then, enjoy the rest of your summer! Be sure to start going to bed early as we get closer to the start of school! There is another letter for your parents to let them know some important information about our kindergarten classroom.

I am VERY excited to meet you and begin our school year together! I hope you are excited to have a wonderful year, too!

Fondly,  
Mrs. Mill



## IMPORTANT PARENT INFORMATION



Dear Parents,

Welcome to kindergarten! I am very excited to be your child's kindergarten teacher this year! Below you will find some important information.

**BACKPACKS**~ please help your child select a backpack large enough to hold a 12 x 11 folder and a library book. Please help your child practice zipping and unzipping and taking things in and out of it.

**FOLDERS**~ Your child will receive a "take home" folder on their first day. They should bring this folder back and forth to school. This will help us get important information to and from school. Please check your child's folder nightly and remove papers.

**SUPPLIES**~ We will have our own personal supplies this year. Please see the kindergarten supply list on our Franconia page on the district website. Please place the starred items in your child's pencil box for the first day.

**SNACKS**~ kindergarteners do work up an appetite! Please send your child with a healthy snack each day. It should be something they can open and eat with ease and in a few minutes and please remember our classroom is **nut free** (applesauce squeeze bottles, granola bars, peeled or cut fruit or vegetables are all great options).

**WATER BOTTLES**~ please send a **non-spill** water bottle with your child's name on it each day.

**BIRTHDAYS**~ Our school district will no longer be having traditional baked items sent in. You may send in a non-edible treat (such as pencils, stickers, bracelets, etc.) if you wish. We will also do other things in class to honor this very special day at school!

**ABSENT NOTES**~ If your child is absent a written absence note is due within 3 days of their return in order to be excused. You may send it in your child's folder and I will send it to the office. You can use the forms provided by school or any paper note is accepted.

**FAMILY TRIPS**~ If your child will be missing school due to a family trip or other planned absence a written note must be submitted to the school office **PRIOR** to your trip so that it will be an excused absence.

**CLOTHING**~ When selecting an outfit for school, comfy clothing with minimal zippers and buttons work best for using the bathroom. Sneakers are always a good option for the playground and physical education day.

**RECESS**~ we do try to go outside everyday (weather permitting). Please make sure your child is dressed and prepared for outdoor weather.

**SPECIALS**~ your child will attend a special class each day. You will receive a special schedule on the first day of school in your child's folder. It is important to have sneakers on physical education day and library books on library day.

**LUNCH**~ Your child will be eating lunch here at school each day. Please send their lunch in a lunchbox or bag clearly labeled with their name. Buying lunch at school is always an option. Information about school lunches can be found on our district website.

**CONTACT**~ If you need to reach me you can send a note in your child's folder, e-mail me at [lmill@soudertonsd.org](mailto:lmill@soudertonsd.org) or call the school office.

We will go over more about our classroom together at our Back to School Night in September. Look for more information about that special night coming soon!

I look forward to working with you this year and sharing in your child's first school experience as a Franconia Falcon! Together we will make it an amazing experience!

Fondly,  
Laura Mill