

Welcome to *-----* FIRST GRADE

Dear First Grader,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! My name is Miss Brooks and this will be my fifth year teaching first grade and my third year at Central School! I graduated from The University of Iowa in 2018 with a degree in Elementary Education and a minor in American Sign Language. I then taught two years in Iowa City and moved to the Chicago area in 2021. I am currently working on my Master's Degree in Teaching English as a Second Language.

This summer I went camping in Wisconsin, vacationed in Kauai with my family, and spent a lot of time reading! In my free time I enjoy playing Ultimate Frisbee, cooking, and watching Hawkeye Football. I look forward to hearing about how you spent your summers!

I love teaching first graders because of their excitement, creativity, and wonder. A couple of my favorite books to read with first graders include *The Most Magnificent Thing* and the *Dragon Masters* series. We will learn many new and exciting things together this year! I can't wait to meet you on August 23rd.

Warmly,
Miss Brooks

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