

June, 2019

Dear Families and Students,

Welcome to Fifth Grade! My name is Mrs. Alisa Orłowski, and I am so excited to be your teacher during your fifth grade year at Carpenter. This is my sixth year teaching Fifth Grade, and seventh year at Carpenter. I currently live in Macomb, Michigan with my husband. I am very close with my parents, and my sister's family who all live nearby! I graduated from Michigan State University back in 2012, and finished my Master's Degree in Educational Leadership in 2017. My hobbies include spending time with friends and family, running, biking, and eating! I love to relax outside in the summer and read a good book. My favorite color is teal (you will notice this easily in the classroom), my favorite food is ice cream, and my favorite drink is coffee! I hope to learn about each of your hobbies and favorites this year!

I love to teach because of my students and the families. Each day my students come in and bring me positive challenges and joy. I feel very lucky that I get to spend every workday with some truly special individuals. We are going to have a year full of fun and engaging learning opportunities. Room 107 is a safe, positive learning environment. We will use the philosophy that "Other People Matter" to build positive relationships through the character strengths we study each week.

I am hoping to work alongside your parents and families to ensure your year at Carpenter is successful! Parent-teacher communication is an important part of every student's success. Please feel free to email me at alisa.orłowski@k12.org if there is anything you would like me to be aware of prior to the start of school. The planner and work folder are great ways for you to keep informed on what your child is doing at school. There is a fifth grade weebly: www.carpenter5thgrade.weebly.com that will also have a weekly blog updating you about upcoming dates and what the students will be learning in school. Fifth Grade is often a busy year with assessments, projects and important dates always sneaking up quickly!

Within your welcome packet, you will find a suggested list of supplies for the new school year and a flyer to sign up for Remind 101. This is a great way for me to keep you updated quickly and easily! I look forward to seeing you on September 3 in Room 107. Have a fantastic ending to your summer!

Sincerely,

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