

Hello Wonderful Families!

Welcome to the 2023-24 school year! My name is Hannah Myers, and I am delighted to introduce myself as your child's fifth-grade teacher. Want to know a little bit about me? In 2020, I received my undergraduate degree in Anthropology from the University of California Santa Cruz. Upon completion of my B.A. I stayed in Santa Cruz, where I accepted a job as a teacher's assistant at Montessori Community School in Scotts Valley. Throughout this job, I worked alongside excellent educators in the primary program to support students' consistent participation in a natural and social educational setting. I have always had a deep love for learning, and my position at MCS fostered my love for working with children, thereby inspiring me to pursue teaching as a career. At the end of this month, I will have graduated from the Masters of Education and Credentialing program at the University of California, Santa Cruz as a Multiple Subject candidate. During this year, I have also been involved with UCSC's Field Based Learning Initiative (FBLI) alongside Teacher Supervisor and Lecturer Molly Shaw. Together we have worked to extend teaching to sites outside of the classroom and develop a curriculum that leads students through direct interaction with their environment.

I grew up in San Diego and have spent most of my adult life along the California coast between San Diego and San Francisco. I originally moved to Santa Cruz to complete my undergraduate degree and pursue my Master's degree in Education, and I felt very much at home here that I decided to stay! Growing up in Southern California, I love being outdoors, surfing, gardening, and cooking. I feel very fortunate to live in an area surrounded by a beautiful, community centered coastline with ample opportunity for all of these activities. Fifth grade is a magical year, and I am very much looking forward to the upcoming school term!

I would love to meet you and your child at open classrooms Tuesday, August 8, 9:00-10:00 a.m. I look forward to seeing everyone on the first day of school, Wednesday, August 9th. Please note that although this is a Wednesday, Independent Study students are highly encouraged also to join us for the first day of school. I hope you all have a restful and joyful summer!

Warmly,
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