

WELCOME TO THIRD GRADE

Dear Rockets,

Welcome to third grade! You are officially one of Rodriguez's Radiant Rockets! Get ready to explore, learn, and SHINE bright together this school year. I am Mrs. Rodriguez and it is with great joy and anticipation that I extend to each of you a warm welcome to my classroom. Please allow me to introduce myself...

I have been working in education for seventeen years. It's where my heart is, and I am truly grateful to work in such a rewarding profession. I have experience in many grade levels kindergarten through sixth grade, but my passion has always been in early childhood education, pre-k through third grade. I am returning to the classroom this year after being an Acceleration Specialist in Cartwright Elementary District, teaching third through sixth grade math in small groups, and most recently as the Achievement Interventionist for K-4 students at Mountain View in WESD. I am a graduate of Arizona State University and I am currently getting my masters degree at Northern Arizona University in Educational Leadership. My love for education and learning continues to grow with each new school year. When I'm not in my classroom, you can find me by the pool, playing with my dogs at the dog park, golfing, studying, watching sports on TV or live, with friends, or being creative. I also travel to and from California several times throughout the school year because that is where I am from and where my family resides.

As we embark on this new journey together, I want you to know that my primary goal is to create a learning environment where each of you feel safe, valued, inspired, and empowered to reach your fullest potential. Each of you brings a unique perspective and set of talents to our classroom, and I am eager to learn and grow alongside you. Together, we will not only conquer academic challenges, but we will SHINE bright while doing so. 😊

I encourage you to approach this year with an open mind and willingness to embrace new opportunities, experiences, and challenges. We will embrace mistakes because they are opportunities for growth and we will support one another in our journey towards success.

I am so excited to get to know each of you and share this journey together. Here's to a year filled with discovery, growth, laughter, teamwork, and countless memories. Get ready to SHINE, because together, we are unstoppable!

See you soon!

Mrs. Raquel Rodriguez



Mrs. Rodriguez's Radiant Rockets
Exploring, Learning, and Shining Together

Rodriguez's Rockets

Important Upcoming Dates: Mark your calendars!

Open House/Meet the Teacher Night

Thursday, August 1st, 5:00-6:30pm *Room C207*

First Day of School

Monday, August 5th, 8:10am-3:15pm

****Early Release Wednesdays: 8:10am-1:45pm****

Supply Wish List: Donations are always welcome and greatly appreciated!

- Backpack (no wheels)
- Small pencil box (needs to fit inside your desk)
- Crayola Crayons- 16 count
- 1 box of #2 pencils
- 3 large glue sticks
- Student scissors
- 4 **plastic** 2 pocket folders (red, blue, green, yellow)
- 3 highlighters (yellow, green, and pink)
- 1 pack of dry erase markers (blue or black)
- 1 Jumbo box of tissue/Kleenex
- 1 container of Clorox or Lysol cleaning wipes
- A pair of headphones/can be earbuds or over-the ear (for Chromebooks)
- 1 box of quart sized Ziploc bags (girls)
- 1 box of gallon sized Ziploc bags (boys)

**** Please note that students will not be allowed to use hand-held sharpeners.**

These are a distraction to learning and they create a mess in the classroom. Also, any additional items needed, will be provided by me.



