

meet the TEACHER

Mrs. Lorie Zylstra

Welcome to 5th Grade!

I am pleased to welcome you to the 2024 - 2025 school year! I am looking forward to having your child as a student. Fifth grade is such a fun year with a lot of growth and many wonderful learning activities to celebrate. In order to have a fun year, my most important goal is to create a family of learners in my classroom. I am committed to creating a classroom environment where your child is a valued, trusted, and integral part of our community. We have planned a variety of activities to emphasize and reinforce this goal. I couldn't do this without your support. If you ever have any questions, please reach out to me. I'm looking forward to making this the best year yet!

About Me

Hi! My name is Mrs. Lorie Zylstra. I have been married for 25 years and have two beautiful daughters.

Corryn is a grad student at Colorado State University studying Zoo, Aquarium, and Animal Shelter Management. Kendall is a grad student at Stanford University studying geophysics.

I grew up in the suburbs of Los Angeles, CA. I moved to Las Vegas and got my BS from UNLV for Hotel Administration. After 7 years in Las Vegas, I moved to Seattle where I met my husband, and our girls were born. He got a job in Chandler, so we moved here in 2004.

My Career

I've worked for large corporations in HR such as MGM Grand, Microsoft, and Intel. In 2005, I decided to pursue my passion for teaching and attended ASU to get my Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction. I worked at another CUSD school teaching a classic 3rd grade classroom for 7 years. I moved to Weinberg/Rice to teach 4th grade CTA for 5 years. I moved up again, and this is will be my sixth year teaching 5th grade CTA, and my favorite.

My Favorites

Color: Pink
Drink: Starbucks pink drink
Season: Spring
Sports: Baseball (Go Mariners!) & Football (Go Seahawks!)
Fast Food: In-N-Out
Singer: George Michael
Passions: Traveling and Disney
Subject: Math
Store: Target and Amazon
Dessert: white cake
Restaurants: Blue 32, Cheesecake Factory, or Oregon's

