

Dear Families,

Hello! My name is Christen Sistare and I will be your child's teacher for the 2010-2011 school year. I am so excited about joining the Carolina School for Inquiry family! I hope that you and your family continue to have a wonderful summer. I have been working hard preparing for your students arrival. I am so excited to meet ALL of you!

I would love to take a moment and introduce myself to you. I grew up in Bluffton, South Carolina and I have been around education my entire life as my mother, father, & grandfather were all teachers! After high school I attended Francis Marion University where I received my Bachelor's degree in Theatre Arts. After graduating I taught Fine Arts & English at the high school level. In 2009, I received my Masters in Early Childhood Education from Converse College in Spartanburg, South Carolina. My husband Dave and I have been married for almost four years and we love to travel, read and chase around our nine month old son Holden. He is by far my biggest and best accomplishment!

At the conclusion of break I would like my students to reflect on their summer. As you do this I would like you to select one item that best symbolizes your summer vacation. Please bring this item with you on the first day of school. Throughout the first week student will have the opportunity to share this item with their classmates. Parents, please make sure this is a non-valuable item as it will be left in the classroom for several days.

Also, I am providing you with our class supply list. Please bring these supplies with you on the first day of school, Monday, August 16th. Please make sure that your student has access to plenty of wide rule notebook paper and pencils at home. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to e-mail me anytime at csistare@carolinaschoolforinquiry.org .

Enjoy these last few weeks of summer!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Christen Sistare

Supply List for Mrs. Sistare's Early Elementary Class



Each family is asked to pay \$10 for supplies. Providing the \$10 will allow me to purchase specific folders, composition books, journals and other materials that are needed throughout the year.

- (2) computer jump drive (1GB)
- (1) large box of facial tissue
- (1) box of 16 count crayons
- (1) 2" three ring binder with plastic view cover
- (1) 1" binder with plastic view covers
- (1) pack of subject dividers (6-8 count)
- (3) packs of wide ruled notebook paper (to be kept at home and used as needed)
- (1) pack of #2 pencils (no mechanical pencils, please!)
- (1) bottle of hand sanitizer
- (2) glue sticks
- (1) yellow highlighter

Please do not write your child's name on any of the supplies other than the jump drive & the notebooks. The remaining items will be for community use.

Snacks:

We will have a light nutritional snack each morning (except half days) at 9:30 a.m. Families are being asked to alternate weeks to provide snack for the class. An alteration schedule will be provided by our Homeroom Mom at a later date. Please provide individual packed snacks. This help makes snack time easier, more efficient and more sanitary. Please do not send drinks. Students will keep a small water bottle on his/her desk throughout the day. Each family will be asked to participate. Remember, your child will receive a snack each day.