KINDERGARTEN
Roundup and Enrollment
SNOW ELEMENARY
2020-2021
MS. MARIAM BARAKAT

★ Earned BA in 2017 from Wayne State University in Elementary and Early Childhood Education
★ Currently working towards ESL Masters certification
20 years of experience. (17 in Kindergarten)

Earned BA in 2000 from Eastern Michigan University in Elementary Teaching with An Early Childhood certification

Earned MA in 2005 from Marygrove College

ESL certification and Educational Specialist Degree 2018

Mother of two children. 19 year old daughter, Dani and 11 year old son, Antonio
I have been teaching for 20 years.

I have both an undergrad and Masters degree from EMU.

I have a second Masters from Grand Canyon University.

I have certifications in both Early Childhood and ESL.

I have a 14 year old daughter named Peyton.
Our goal is to create an all day experience that allows for in-depth exploration of all subject areas at a pace that is appropriate for 5 and 6-year-olds. Our planning also alternates lessons which allow children to move around the room, as well as, lessons where the children will be sitting and listening and/or working.
What is Young 5's?

- The Young 5s program is an early childhood program that is offered for children whose birthdays fall between June 15th and December 1st and need the time and opportunity to continue building their skills and abilities.

Young 5 expectations are similar to kindergarten, with a focus on:

- Social Emotional
- Learning through play
- Collaboration: sharing, problem solving, stamina
- Literacy, numeracy, science social studies
- Early Reading groups and strategies
- Fine and Gross Motor skills
ABOUT YOUNG 5’S?

- **Is my child losing a year?**
  - No, your child is gaining a year and will be more equipped to handle the demand of school years to come. Young 5 students end up being the leaders in our buildings and many are soaring academically. Research shows that students who attend kindergarten readiness programs like Young 5’s are more likely to do well in school and attend college.

- **My child went to preschool, isn’t this the same thing?**
  - Preschool has a completely different curriculum from Young 5s. Young 5’s classrooms are introduced to the Kindergarten Curriculum using a hands on approach which introduces key concepts and academic vocabulary.

- **What is the schedule for Young 5/ Special Area Classes?**
  - Y5/Kindergarten schedules are the same runs M-F (all day). Students participate in all kindergarten activities, such as music, art, PE and enrichment throughout the year.
MS. TRACY WRIGHT

★ 25 years of experience. (12 in Kindergarten)
★ Earned BA in 1992 from Western Michigan University
★ Earned MA in 2002 from Wayne State
★ Mother of two sons and a yellow lab. 13 year old son, Trevor and 12 year old son, Trent and 2 year old Page.
LEADER IN ME

- Teaches leadership and life skills to students. Every child can be a leader!
- The 7 Habits
PBIS
Positive Behavior Interventions and Support
The 3 focus areas for all students are:

01  BE SAFE

02  BE RESPECTFUL

03  BE RESPONSIBLE
Our Morning

The majority of our morning consists of Language Arts instruction which takes place within the Daily 5 and CAFÉ framework.

These lessons are completed in whole group, small group, and individually.

During Writer’s Workshop, students will work on narrative, informational, and opinion writing.
OUR AFTERNOON

Math instruction and Math workshop
Science and Social Studies
Gross Motor Development
SNACK & LUNCH

- Children will bring an individual, healthy snack to help sustain them and keep their brains and bodies fueled.

- For the 2020-2021 school year, a full lunch, including milk, at no cost.

- We also have a breakfast program that is offered in the cafeteria before school, at no cost.
HB 4822, signed by Governor Snyder on 10/6/16, is now Public Act 306 of 2016:

- Attempts to ensure that more students will achieve a score of at least proficient in ELA on the 3rd Grade state assessment
- Requires implementation of Multi-Tiered Systems of Support elements to ensure early intervention of at risk students
-Legislates a process to retain students that fail to read proficiently by the end of 3rd grade

In response to this law we currently have a program in place to help our students maintain grade level reading, called LLI.

Tracy Wright is our Early Childhood Specialist, she works with our Kindergarten students in small reading groups using the LLI program.
SOFT START & Y5/KDG DAYS- MARK YOUR CALENDARS

If school is back in session based on Governor’s order:

➔ August 31st is the first day of school and a half day for all students
➔ September 1-3 are half days for kindergarten and Y5s only
➔ September 4th: the district is closed for Labor Day Weekend
➔ No School for Kindergarten Students (teachers engage in professional learning)
  ◆ Sept 25, 2020
  ◆ Nov 20, 2020
  ◆ Feb 5, 2021
GETTING READY FOR KINDERGARTEN
HELPFUL SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Part 1

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COLORING

- Coloring
- Cutting and gluing
- Writing first name
- Writing uppercase AND lowercase letters
- Practice writing letters and familiar words

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PRACTICE TYPING SHOES AND ZIPPING COATS

- Practice tying shoes and zipping coats
- Counting to 50 and beyond
- Use Play-Doh, white boards, magnetic letters to make words
- Listen and Follow 1-2 step directions
HELPFUL SUMMER ACTIVITIES

- Read to your children, write and count every day
- Engage in language-talk through everyday activities

- Get to bed early so children get 10 hours of sleep
- Eat breakfast at home/come to school for breakfast
- Limit screen time
FUN EDUCATIONAL WEBSITES

abcya.com  starfall.com  GETEPIC.COM

Jack Hartmann on YouTube  Gonoodle.com  storynory.com
WHAT TO DO NEXT?

How do I get the paperwork needed for registration?

● District [website](#), Elementary School will mail upon request of families

When does the paperwork have to be turned in for registration?

● As soon as possible

Who do I call if I need assistance in the registration process?

● Student services 313-495-4004

Will my family and I have a chance to visit the school before the first day of school?

● Yes, as long as the governor’s order permits this
WHAT TO DO NEXT?

You will need to register your child with Mrs. Segerson, our secretary. No incomplete paperwork will be accepted.

The birthdate cut off is September 1st

- If your child will be 5 years old between June 15 and December 1st they will be placed in young fives.

* Suggested supply list will be in your packet *
State of MI requires all Kindergarteners to have immunizations up-to-date. A copy of these immunizations needs to be provided for enrollment. The immunizations required are described here: [Vaccinations required for school entry](#).

Each child entering Kindergarten needs to have a physical exam. This is the form the physician should complete: [Health Appraisal Form](#).
What To Do Next?

- If a child requires medication at school, a [Medication Authorization Form](#) needs to be signed by the parent and physician.

- Please contact the school nurse with any medical conditions that may impact education or may require emergency medications. (for example: Asthma, Food Allergies, Type One Diabetes, Seizures, etc.) Health Forms can be found @ [Medications at School](#).

- When enrolling, please make sure all contact numbers are correct and the health information section is filled out completely.

- For more information, please visit the School Nurse Website @ [School Nurses](#) or contact Student Services at (313) 827-3005.
We’re always happy to answer any questions you have. You can reach us by calling the school office at 827-6250. We’ll return your call as soon as possible.

The best way to contact us is through email.

- Mrs. Alcodray-alcodra@dearbornschools.org
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THANK YOU