Back to School Night

At your child’s seat you will find a sticky note- please leave your child a nice note to surprise them with tomorrow! :)

All About Me

● I live in Lovettsville with my husband and many pets!
● This is my 6th year teaching 1st grade, and 2nd year at Tolbert!
● My goal is to always ensure my students love coming to school and love learning!
All About me
I’m Rica Chua!

- MASTERS DEGREE in Education
- Orton-Gillingham trained
- 14th year of teaching EL grades K-4

No one ever said that teaching was easy. We only said that the kids would be worth it.

www.patrickmatlock.com
Students are universally screened 3 times (fall, winter, spring) in math, reading, and social-emotional wellness.

Intervention and enrichment groups are formed based on that data.

Every student learns what he/she needs.
What does personalized learning look like in first?

What it is:

- **Flexible Tools**
- **Targeted Instruction**
- **Data Driven Decisions**
- **Student Reflection and Ownership**

What it looks like:

- Differentiation based on data
- Student voice and choice
- Guided reading
- Reading, Writing, and Math workshop
- Targeted small group instructions
- Working collaboratively
- Student reflection/goal setting
What does project based learning look like in first?

What it is:

What it looks like:

* Driving Questions
* Authentic Learning
* Projects with Public Products
* Working Collaboratively
* Student Reflection and Ownership
PBIS - The House System

- House points for expected behavior
- Weekly house competition
- School-wide incentives
- Community building
- Meet new people
- Review the school rules: RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, READY TO LEARN!
Classroom Dojo

Students can earn or lose points based on expected behavior

They may spend dojo points at the classroom store
**Schedule**

**MRS. Gillenwater’s Daily Schedule**
2019 - 2020

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**Specials**

**MRS. GILLENWATER’S Specials Schedule**
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Snack

Please pack a small snack for your child - please limit to one item, and no juice please!

Birthdays

You may send in a small item for your student to share for their birthday - no food!

Parties

We are able to have three a year - Please check the email newsletter for updates!
Field Trips

November 1st - Temple Hall

March 18th- Natural History Museum

Chaperones will be chosen based on a lottery system
First grade will give benchmark reading assessments PALS and DRA. The report card comments will indicate whether your student met the benchmark.

Some work is checked only for completion and/or accuracy. These papers may have a check, stamp, sticker, etc.

Work taken for a grade will have an E, M, P, B on it.
Homework

- R.E.D folder (also a communication folder)
- 20 minutes every night

Research shows it as a huge indicator of student success!

- Please ask students questions about what they read—there is a list of questions to choose from
- Please Sign each night
Communication

- Dojo Messages
- Email Renee.Gillenwater@lcps.org
- Twitter: @Mrs_GillenH2O
- Daily R.E.D. folder will have any papers in it that go home. It will also have completed work. This is also where you can put notes for the office.
- Each week there will be a newsletter that is in the Tolbert weekly email- just click the first grade tab!

If you need to get ahold of me quickly, please know that I will likely not see an email because I will be working with your child. Please call the office with any transportation changes or other urgent messages!
*PLEASE call the front office with any PM transportation changes. 571-252-2870

*Early dismissals no later than 2:00.

*Show ID’s at the door.

*Please include Mollie (Mollie.Orledge@lcps.org) on Absence/Tardy emails that the parents send to the teachers.

*In ParentVue, opt-in/opt-outs and FLE must be done by Sept. 20th.

*In ParentVue, please continue to edit student information as needed.
Volunteers

Room moms
Copy moms
Watchdog dads

Please sign up at my table :)
At your student’s desk

- Digital login information
- Parent homework :)

Quick Reminders

Please be sending in pictures for our writing folder project

Math workbooks- these will come home and can stay home. You can use them how you’d like at home!

If you would like help getting into Parent Vue, you can visit the computer lab for assistance.
THANK YOU FOR COMING!!!

I AM VERY EXCITED FOR ANOTHER GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!