Welcome to Westview

My name is Tatjana Zehntner and I will be teaching second grade this year at **West View Elementary**. I am very excited about this school year and how much we will be doing in our SOAR-ing class. Every child is important, and I will do my best to help your child be successful in my class this year.

I use a positive reward system for my class. Your child will have the opportunity to earn SOAR-ing points for great participation, positive classroom attitude, finishing projects/homework on time, etc. The SOAR is part of the school-wide rewards and discipline setting. SOAR stands for Safety, Organization, Achievement, and Respect. I try to incorporate this in my classroom as well. I also send home notes if I call on your child several times in class for a behavior issue or problem following the rules of class.

My rules for my class are as follows:

Rule	Rationale	Consequences
1. Be courteous (ORGANIZATION)	Raise your hand if you have a question, if you need something, or if you would like to answer a question.	 a. Reminder by Teacher b. 1st warning c. Name on List d. Letter home/notify parent
2. Be kind (RESPECT)	Respect your fellow students and your teacher.	Depending on severity: a. Reminder by teacher b. Loosing privileges c. Notify parent
3. Be safe (SAFETY)	Keep your hands, feet, and other objects to yourself.	a. Warningb. Loosing privilegesc. Notify parent
4. Be attentive (ACHIEVEMENT)	Listen in class and participate in discussions, songs, and games so you'll remember what we've learned.	a. Reminder by teacherb. Silent Lunchc. Notify parent after 3 strikes.
5. Create Student Rule	Students will have the chance to create one rule they wish to have in place.	a. Reminder by Teacher b. No SOAR points

We will go over the rules on the first day of class and several more times throughout the year. These SOAR rules go throughout the school and also in Related Arts classes.

My classroom philosophy is all about a safe environment, team-work, trust, kindness, and honesty.

For my classroom management I will provide large poster-boards where students can show their achievements and where I will also list helpers for the week as we are promoting great community collaboration. I will provide daily schedules, tasks to be completed, and poster boards on current weekly lessons.

The easiest way to contact me is via email. My address is: **zehntnert@g.cofc.edu** I appreciate the opportunity to teach your child this year!

Miss Zehntner