



Greetings Families!

I hope everyone is as excited as I am to begin our 5th grade journey! I know we are going to have a great year together.

First, I'd like to introduce myself. My name is Nicole Higdon. I am a Mom of two children who also attend High Desert and our family live locally in Agua Dulce. We are very active within our community and love living here. I have worked in education for nearly 7 years, and this will be my third year as a teacher. I have taught 4th grade for the last two years, so this will be my first year teaching 5th and my first year at High Desert. I am very excited to join the hawk family, and I am looking forward to all of the amazing adventures that await us, like Back to School Night, Game Night, Science Camp, STEAM Night and more.

As we embark on this school year here are a few ideas to help get your child ready for the first day of school.

- Ask your child to think about an experience from summer that they can share with the class.
- Have school supplies ready for their first day of school (please email me if you need assistance with supplies).
- Help your child get back on a school schedule so they will be rested and ready for a great start to the year!
- Please send your child with their own bottle of water with their name on it. It is still very warm outside and I will encourage the children to stay hydrated.

Our school theme this year is "Anchored in Achievement" and I am ready to begin this voyage toward success. To help stay on course, please check Aeries to access your students grades, review their student planner regularly, and visit our classroom webpage to stay up to date on classroom news. Please feel free to contact me with any questions, or concerns you may have.



### **Materials Needed**

4 Composition Notebooks  
4 folders  
A 2 inch binder  
Post it Notes  
A highlighter  
School planner (provided at registration)

### **Dates to Remember**

Fall Picture Day, August 27th  
Back to School Night, August 29th 5:30  
Family Game Night, September 19th

I look forward to meeting everyone at our Back to School Night on August 29th at 5:30pm. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at [nhigdon@aadusd.k12.ca.us](mailto:nhigdon@aadusd.k12.ca.us).



Warm regards,  
Mrs. Higdon