

Hello Mrs. Mills Families!

Marcy Martinez and I are your co-room parents this year! Our job is to support the teacher and the families, so please let us know if you need anything. Marcy has Avery and I have Nash.

1. I've attached Mrs. Mills favorite things and included the link to her Amazon wishlist. As a teacher, sometimes it's nice to get little gifts randomly throughout the year, so if you ever feel like just getting her something and sending it in with your child, do it!

Her birthday is February 7th, so mark your calendars for that. We'll also celebrate her during the holidays and at the end of the year.

As a parent I've always liked to have the option of signing up for what I want to contribute or just sending in cash; as the needs arise we will do both so that you have the option. Our class gifts to our teacher are always from the class as a whole with no named individuals.

Here's her wishlist; you can save it on Amazon and get stuff when you feel inclined.
[insert wish list here](#)

2. Have you ever wanted to see what was going on in the classroom? You have two opportunities to do so. If you're terrified of doing it, I totally get it; if you haven't managed a classroom before it can seem overwhelming. But honestly, in my experience, the kids are great for you. They know you're a parent, and I think they love having someone new to teach them for a couple hours. Generally, the times are scheduled during their lunch, specials, or recess, so it really isn't hours of instruction.

This year we're going to do luncheons for the teachers two times; dates TBD. During this time parents will sub in the classrooms while the teachers enjoy a longer, catered lunch.

There is also a program called Subs R Us at the school. The program allows the classroom teachers to work together outside of the classroom, or work individually with students, while you manage the class. When I've done it the teachers have been right down the hall if I've needed them. You can volunteer in your child's class only, or for the entire school.

To participate in either program you just need to complete a background check, it's free and she'll give you the link, and a short online orientation. Please email Ms. Reue for the information, amber.reue@austinisd.org

3. Do you generally make it to all classroom events and love to take pictures of everything? If that's you, could you please be our class photographer? You just need to show up, take pics, and upload them to the yearbook website. Andrea Polakovic is our Yearbook Coordinator if you have questions, yearbook@baldwinpta.org
4. If you would like to join a classroom parent What's app group, I have attached a link. It is not a must, but would be a great way to ask questions about school activities, send birthday invitations or coordinate play dates.

That's it for now!

If you need anything or have any questions you can reach both of us by email, or via text, all of our info is below.

Thank you!

Addie Elsbecker a.elsbecker@hotmail.com

Marcy Martinez marcykmartinez@gmail.com