Meet the Teacher! Mrs. Jaclyn Cook's Second Grade Class August 7, 2025



I'm *so* excited to welcome you to second grade — where learning is sprinkled with fun, friendship, and lots of giggles! This year, you're part of **Cook's Cookie Crew**, and I can already tell it's going to be a batch made in heaven.

Welcome In just a few days your child will complete an important milestone in his/her life: the first day of second grade! I understand that you and your child may meet this day with excitement or apprehension (or a little of both), and I hope that the following information will help you to know what to expect in second grade this year and answer any questions you may have. * Please keep this sheet as a reference.

Parent/Teacher Relationship I believe that a good parent-teacher relationship is necessary for school success. Throughout the year I will communicate with you through notes, emails, telephone calls, weekly newsletters, my website, progress reports, and parent-teacher conferences. I encourage you to contact me at any time if you have questions or concerns. You can call me at school (864) 355-2251, schedule a conference, write me a note, or email me at jpcook@greenville.k12.sc.us.

Weekly Folders You will receive your child's weekly work in a blue Parent/Teacher Communicator Folder on Tuesdays. Please review the papers with your child and return it EMPTY the next day. We will also use a yellow home and back folder for daily communication.

Parent Participation Throughout the school year there will be a variety of special classroom activities and celebrations. I encourage you to attend these functions when possible and to support them. Your support of school activities makes your child feel important and sends the message that you value school. Open House will be Monday, September 8th from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

School Attendance Your child's regular and prompt attendance at school is crucial to his/her success. School begins at 7:45. Most of our learning activities are group-oriented and involve interaction with classmates. Please ensure that your child attends every day, except in cases of illness or emergency. Please try to schedule medical appointments after school hours or on student holidays especially since we will be teaching math at the end of our day this year.

Changes in Transportation If you wish for your child's transportation to change for a particular day, please send in a signed, handwritten note. If no written note is received, your child will be sent home by his/her usual method of transportation. In extreme emergencies, you must notify the office of transportation changes. (Teachers are often unable to check voicemail or email during the day and might not receive such messages until after dismissal).

Early Dismissals Please send a note in the morning if you plan to pick your child up early. Check in at the office to sign your child out. Your child will not be called up to the office until you arrive. There will be no early dismissals after 1:45 p.m.

Meals Breakfast is free for all students, but lunch is not. Lunch money can be deposited either in person at the Bobcat Café, or online through My School Bucks (located on the Buena Vista website). A student lunch costs \$2.50. A free and reduced application is required to receive free and reduced meals for the 2025-2026 school year. Applications can be filled out online via the "Meals" link on the Buena Vista website.

Outdoor Recess The children will have outdoor recess every day, unless there is inclement weather. Sandals, Crocs, and dress shoes may not be ideal on some of the climbing equipment and the slides. Flip flops are not permitted. Please be sure to read the handbook policy for our district dress code.

Birthdays The PTA will provide treats for monthly birthday celebrations. Please do not send in birthday treats. You may, however, come to lunch and eat with your child. You may bring only them a special lunch/treat if you wish. Our lunch time will be 11:10.

Homework There will be a weekly math sheet and spelling words. Additionally, there will be 20 minutes of daily reading. There will be times when your child may also have social studies or science study guides. Homework will usually be assigned Monday through Thursday.

Grading Scale

A = 90-100

B = 80-89

C = 70 - 79

D = 60-69

F= 60 and below

Chromebooks Please make sure your child comes to school with a **fully charged Chromebook**, which he/she will receive the first month of school. The chargers remain at home. If your child's Chromebook runs out of battery during the school day, then they will be without a Chromebook for the remainder of the day. We do not have extra chargers in our classroom.

Badges Please make sure your student wears this badge to and from school every day. It is a good idea to ensure it is in their backpack each night before the next morning.

Supplies The following is a list of supplies your child will need:

Must Haves

- 24- Wood Ticonderoga #2 Pencils
- 4- Expo Black Dry Erase Markers
- 4- Elmer's All Purpose Glue Sticks
- 2-24 count Crayola Craysons
- 1-24 count Crayola Colored Pencils
- 2- boxes of Kleenex
- 4- Marble Composition Notebooks
- 1- set of Headphones (no earbuds, please)
- 2- Flat Pink Erasers
- 1- Yellow Highlighter
- 1- Notebook Paper (wide-ruled)
- 1- Scissors
- 4- Vinyl Prong Pocket Folders (blue, green, red, yellow)

Wish List

- Hand Sanitizer
- Clorox Disinfectant Wipes
- 2 Spiral Wide- Ruled Notebooks (red and blue)

Get ready for a year full of sweet surprises, growth, friendship, community, and amazing memories. I can't wait to get started and begin baking up some fun this year!

Sincerely,

Jaclyn Cook

*Please refer to the Student-Parent Handbook/Calendar for additional information on curriculum, instruction, dress code, school policies, and regulations.