

Hello Parents/Guardians,

I am so excited to be starting off the year with your amazing first graders! To introduce myself, my name is Mrs. Selina Chacón-Martínez and I will be your child's first grade teacher for this upcoming 2023-2024 school year.

I graduated in May 2022 with my Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education from the University of New Mexico and am working toward a Teaching English to Speakers of other Languages (TESOL) endorsement and my bilingual endorsement. I am also working on my minor in Art Studio. My teaching experience includes student teaching through Albuquerque Public School District, as well as Jemez Mountain Public Schools. Last year was my first year of teaching! I taught at San Juan Elementary School. I am excited to start my second year of teaching with this amazing group of students.

First Grade is a year where students will learn many new things! Each student is important and they each bring essential skills and strengths to our classroom. Some of the things that I will be focusing on is building a classroom community, building organizational skills, teaching them how to become more independent learners, teaching them to explore their interests, and teaching them to understand their own goals through progress and growth. My goal for each student is to help them recognize how important they are and how essential learning is. "Knowledge is Power!"

I will be using Class Dojo. This is an online tool/phone app that allows you to immediately see how your student is doing in the classroom based on points given or taken away. It's also a place where you can send me direct messages. I check this periodically throughout the day and it is the easiest form of communication for me.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I work best through Classdojo, but I work well with emails, written notes, telephone calls, and afterschool in-person and/or virtual meetings. Please feel free to contact me at selchacon@penascoisd.com or my direct school line at 575-587-2502 etc. 2011. I look forward to working with you and your child!

My personal goal is to continue growing and learning in my education and profession and to raise growth proficiency by ten percent in both ELA and Math while providing enrichment and support to all of our students.

Here's to a wonderful year!

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