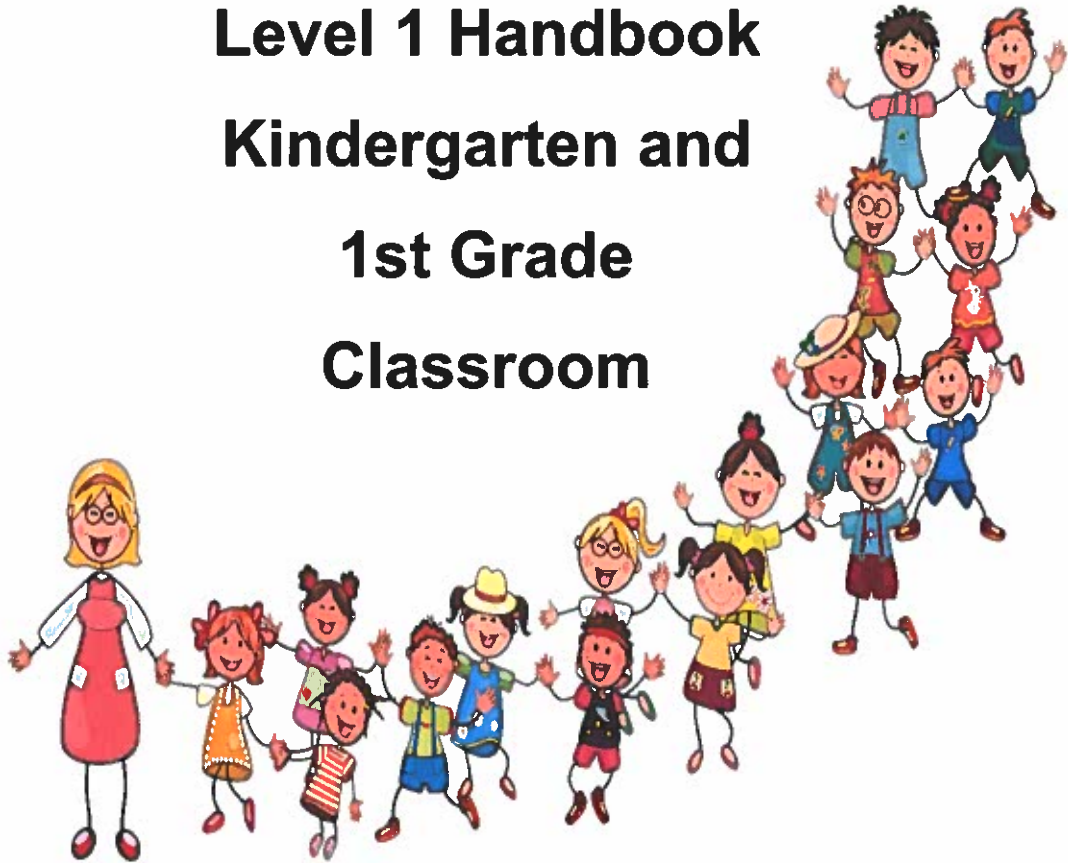


**Miss Carly's  
Level 1 Handbook  
Kindergarten and  
1st Grade  
Classroom**



### **Introduction**

Welcome to Level 1 at Willow Creek Charter School! This handbook has been put together to inform you of the major components of the class as well as to provide activities which will help your child prepare for Level 1. Please keep this handbook to use as a guide throughout the school year.

### **Communication**

If you need to contact me for any reason, please send me a message on **Remind** or you can email me at [level1@willowcreekcharter.com](mailto:level1@willowcreekcharter.com).

For all other inquiries, attendance or absences, contact the office at (928) 776-1212.

### **Reminders for School**

- School begins at 8:15am and ends at 3pm. There is no school on Fridays.
- Please label your child's coats, backpacks, lunch boxes and water bottles.
- For safety reasons, we ask that all children wear close-toed shoes to school.
- We do not have the opportunity to heat up your child's lunch.
- Please make sure to pack healthy snacks and lunches for your child. We no longer have drinking fountains, so please send a water bottle with your child every day! Only water is allowed; no juice or sodas.

### **Level 1 Behavior Plan**

In our classroom, it is my responsibility to help guide students in a positive direction in order to help them make the right decisions. This may be difficult at times and students will have the opportunity to experience natural consequences, whether good or bad, based on the choices that they make. The words "can't" and "won't" are not accepted and will be replaced with phrases such as "I will try my best". Behavior that is disrespectful, disruptive or harmful will not be tolerated in the classroom. I will document student behavior throughout the year.

### **Take Home Folders and Homework**

Your child will be bringing a folder back and forth with them daily. I will use these folders as a way to communicate with you so please make sure to check these folders every day. One side will be full of work that needs to be kept at home, while the other side will be things that need to be brought back to school. This will include homework and any information that may need to be signed and returned to school.

Homework at the beginning of the year will be to read with your child for 20 minutes every night. As the year progresses, there will be a math page assigned along with some sight words and spelling for the first grade Level 1 students. This homework is entered as a grade, so please make sure it is done nightly.

### **Show and Share**

Show and share is something that I think is really special for students of all ages. I love the opportunity it provides for a child to get to show off something that is important to them. Every Thursday, I will select a child to bring something in on the following Thursday to share with the class. I will ensure that you have adequate time to help your child choose something to bring in that is school appropriate.

### **Curriculum Overview**

Language Arts: McGraw-Hill *Wonders*

Math: *My Math* and *Everyday Math*

Science: Dimensions

Social Studies and other supplemental materials will be provided  
to align with Arizona State Standards

### **Targeted Activities to Help Your Child Prepare for Level 1**

- Practice writing first and last names
- Practice writing and recognizing numbers 0-10 (or higher)
- Practice counting orally and practice counting objects
- Practice book handling skills
- Hold a book and turn pages correctly
- Practice holding a pencil properly
- Practice drawing and naming the four basic shapes (circle, square, triangle, rectangle)
- Practice coloring inside the lines and practice cutting on the lines
- Recognize all or most of the letter names in the alphabet (uppercase and lowercase and out of order)
- Know most or some of the letter sounds
- Practice writing all the letter of the alphabet
- Practice left to right movement when reading and writing
- Identify colors
- Recognize rhyming words