

Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

Hello, I want to welcome you to the 2016-2017 school year. My name is Elizabeth “Denise” Ethridge and I will be co-teaching 5th Grade Math, Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies in your child’s classroom. I am excited to begin my 12th year teaching. I taught 3rd and 5th grade as the General Education teacher in Tift County for 8. I recently transferred from Peachtree Charter Middle School where I was the interrelated teacher for 8th grade math and also taught a resource math class in 6th and 7th grade. I graduated from Valdosta State University with a B.S. in Early Childhood Education and received my Masters of Science from the University of Troy. I am certified in K-5, Middle Grades Math 4-8, Special Education General Curriculum K-12, and also hold an ESOL endorsement. I am the single mother of a 17 year old daughter, Jozie, who is in the process of moving to Athens to attend UGA. We currently live in Sandy Springs with my mom and our miniature poodle, Disney. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, traveling, and spending time with friends and family.

The best way to reach me is by email, which I check regularly. Please allow 24 hours for me to respond. My email is **elizabeth_ethridge@dekalbschoolsga.org**.

Lastly, I want to inform you and your child of my expectations. I strongly students need to take responsibility for their learning. This is always a work in progress for students. Being prepared for class, having their assignments completed, paying attention in class and following school rules are a few of the responsibilities that I expect students to work on. I will be here to help and guide them on their journey this year.

Sincerely,

E. Denise Ethridge
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