



Mrs. Clement's 1st Grade Firecrackers

Welcome First Grade Families! I am beyond excited to start my third year at Light Academy. I taught in the public school for years, then stayed home with my kiddos and began homeschooling. A few years ago we stepped into this adventure with Light Academy and have had a blast. All 5 of my kiddos will be attending this year.

My Husband is Ryan Clement. We have 3 daughters, Braelyn, Peightyn, and Jocelyn, and my little nephew Sam that lives with us. We are also heavily involved with the foster care system and have new kiddos joining our home all the time. For the last 10 months we have had a sibling set of 3 living with us and just surprisingly added their 2 day old sister. Life is always wild in our house and we love it.

I have a passion for kids and teaching. I have been involved with youth and student ministry for almost 20 years. Building relationships and teaching kiddos, either education or spiritually, fuels my soul. I love seeing light bulbs come on and connections made.

I will do my best to communicate throughout the year and welcome you contacting me if you have questions. I am here to partner with you on your homeschooling journey. For the workbooks, I will star pages that I have graded in class, I will put an H on the top of pages that need to be completed at home. I will not be grading homework pages. I will be checking to see if they have been completed.

In my classroom I do star of the week. Your student will take home Firecracker once in the fall and once in the spring. We will celebrate your kiddo for the whole week! The directions will be in the bag that will come home on Thursday and will need to be returned the following Tuesday.

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GroupMe App: Find the group [First Grade Firecrackers T/TH 2023-2024](#)
Message the group, if it's for everyone. Message me directly, if it only involves you/your student.

Weekly Newsletters:

I will post the weekly newsletter each Tuesday. I'll share Language Arts and math concepts, for the week. Workbook pages completed at home are in **red** font; workbook pages done at school are in **black** font.

Anything that isn't completed at school is homework. The newsletter also includes monthly Bible verse info, Spelling words, and finally, there are links, reminders and tips. Please read the newsletter fully to ensure you and your student are best prepared for the week ahead.

*I will do my best to respond quickly to your messages **Monday-Friday, 9a.m.-5p.m.** I like to be as prompt as possible. However, please allow a 24hr response period, for emails. Thanks so much! :)*

I look forward to joining together this year and can't wait for the fun to begin! I will see you all very soon!

Rachel Clement
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