

Welcome to



Dear Parents/Guardians,

My name is Miss Jody Hulscher and I am very honored to have the pleasure of teaching your child this year. I believe that children are successful when the parents and teacher work together. I look forward to working with you and your child throughout the year. I believe kindergarten is an important time in your child's life. I want this to be a positive experience and a strong foundation for your child.

I am anxious to learn about you and your families. Here is a little bit about myself. This will be my 8th year teaching and my 11th year in education. This will be my second year teaching kindergarten at IC and my 5th year teaching kindergarten overall. I love being a teacher and can't wait to be a part of your child's life this upcoming school year.

I grew up on a dairy farm north of Goodwin. I graduated from Waverly High school. I graduated from Northern State University with a degree in Elementary Education and a minor in Early Childhood Education. I previously taught 5/6 grade in Conde, 5th grade in Big Stone City, and Kindergarten in Selby. I am very excited to be starting my second year here at IC School.

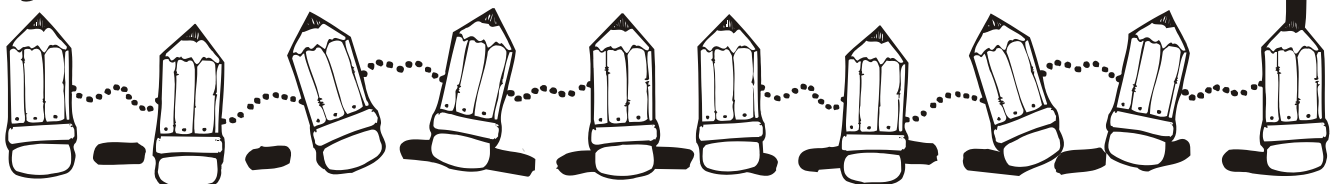
Contact information for Miss Hulscher

If you have any questions or concerns during the school year, please talk to me. I want to make Kindergarten a great experience for your child. If you need to reach me, please call the school 886-3883. You may also call me at home or text at 605-881-6757. You can also email me jody.m.hulscher@k12.sd.us

Birthday Treats and Snacks

Birthdays will be celebrated in the classroom on the date that is closest to the birth date. We will celebrate any summer birthdays (May - August) on their half birthday. Children may bring treats on their birthdays if you wish. Treats should be easy to handle and pass out. The first Wednesday of each month will honor the birthdays for the whole month. July and August birthdays are included in September and June birthdays will be included in May. We have homemade pizza for birthday lunch!

If your child has any allergies to foods, please let me know right away!



Snack Time

We will have a snack break every afternoon in our classroom. Each student is to bring one box of crackers per month to be shared with the class.

Mass

We celebrate Mass as a school on Fridays at 9:00. We will have either Fifth or Sixth grade students as our Mass partners. They will help us with the books and knowing when to stand, sit, etc. You are welcome to join us and sit with your child and our group. If you let me know ahead of time, we can save a place for you.

Gym/PE Class

We will have gym/PE class every day, so please send your children to school in tennis shoes every day (even Fridays). Sandals and crocs are cute, but can be dangerous in gym class, on the playground, and on the stairs. We also have to use some of our class time to change shoes and that can take up a lot of time in Kindergarten!

Folders

I have two folders for every student. One is a Take home folder which will come home almost every night with each student. It will be filled with completed papers and parent letters/information. Please return this folder to school every day in your child's book bag. This is a perfect place to put notes for me or things for the office. I will check through them every day. The other folder is a daily work folder that will stay at school.

Library books

We will have Library time once a week. The students can each check out two books. After that, they have to have some returned before they can check more out.

Book orders

I will be sending home book orders each month. Don't feel like you have to order books, but there are often inexpensive books in these orders. If you do choose to order, please make checks payable to Scholastic Books and return it with your order form in your child's folder.

