

## Prescott Promise

I promise to be  
**RESPECTFUL**  
**RESPONSIBLE**  
And  
**RESOURCEFUL**

To make my home, community  
and school a better place.

## Website

[www.prescott.dbqschools.org](http://www.prescott.dbqschools.org)

Find the school calendar of  
events, the school newsletter,  
school-approved web-sites, staff  
members' contact information  
and much more!

## Facebook



Search for Prescott Elementary  
School on Facebook and like our  
page!

## Office

563-552-4200 7:30am-4pm

## NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

### IMPROVING LEARNING FOR ALL CHILDREN PROGRESS REPORTS

Progress reports will come home on Nov. 22. Consider this document as another point in an on-going conversation among you, your child, and the teacher. The letter grades we use, E, M, N or B indicate your child's performance relative to a grade level standard. That helps you know where your student is at compared to the standard. Those letters may not be so helpful in terms of you and your child gaining a sense of how the learner has grown. The comments on the progress reports help address that, to a degree. Other ways to measure a learner's growth include the conversation from PTS Conferences, student work, feedback from teachers and parents, and self-reflection by the student. Please contact your child's teacher or me with questions or concerns about progress reports.

### SERVICE & COMPASSION

The staff at Prescott is participating in the United Way's annual campaign now through Nov. 11. We believe that the United Way's commitment to health, education and financial stability is critical to the students and families we serve. You will notice that our staff may be in jeans on Nov. 11, as a way to celebrate the end of a successful campaign.

### LEARNING CELEBRATIONS

We believe that students' academic, social and emotional learning are equally important. We also believe in the power of helping students to celebrate their learning with authentic audiences. That is why parents/guardians and other community members are regularly invited into Prescott School. Upcoming learning celebrations include;

- Fri., Nov. 4, 12:15pm Gr. 3 Brown Bag Lunch & Learning Celebration
- Thurs., Nov. 10, 10am Gr. 5 Learning Celebration; National River Museum
- Thurs., Nov. 10, 10:30am Gr. 2 Celebration & Brown Bag Lunch

A special thank you to the National River Museum for their support as an outstanding fieldwork site for our fifth graders as well as a gorgeous venue for their Learning Celebration on Nov. 10.

### ENGAGED LEARNERS

These fourth graders are demonstrating high ownership of their learning through an instructional protocol called "Hosted Gallery Walk". Prescott teachers use a wide variety of protocols to engage students in meaningful and purposeful work. Notice the learning target Mrs. Gehl worded as an "I Can" statement. Clear targets help students to stay focused on the big idea.



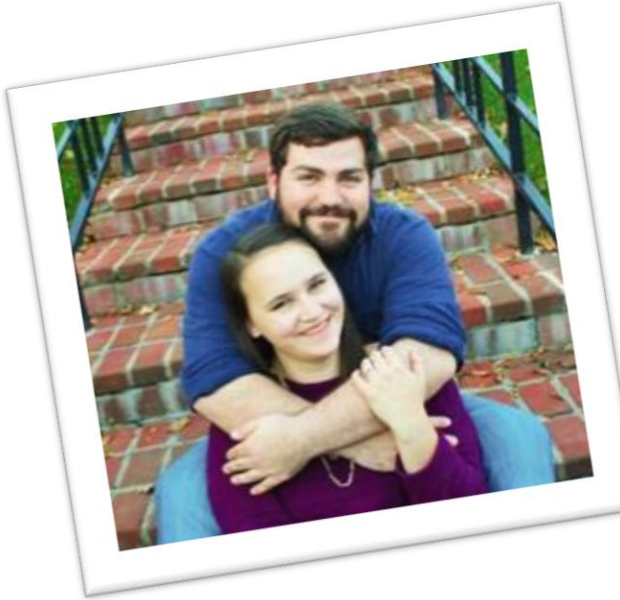
~ Mrs. Vicki Sullivan

*I can interact  
positively as a  
team member.*

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## Welcome to New Staff – Ms. Hennings, Kindergarten Co-Teacher



"Hello! My name is Michaela Hennings and I am very excited to begin my teaching career at Prescott Elementary School as a Title I Reading Teacher in Kindergarten. I was born and raised in Dubuque, and have had a multitude of experiences working with children and families in classrooms, homes, childcare, and after school programs. I feel privileged to have the opportunity to work with many more amazing children and families here at Prescott. I hold my degree in Elementary Education with endorsements in Special Education and Reading, as well as a Spanish minor, from Clarke University. I am currently pursuing my Master's Degree in Instructional Leadership. In my spare time I enjoy spending time with my family and fiancé, reading books, and hiking. I am looking forward to a fabulous year, and I am very eager to get to know all of you."

### *Expeditionary Learning Design Principles*

The Primary of Self-Discovery

Collaboration and Competition

Diversity and Inclusion

Responsibility for Learning

Success and Failure

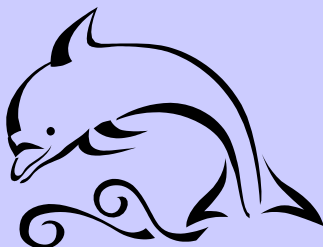
Service and Compassion

The Having of Wonderful Ideas

Empathy and Caring

Solitude and Reflection

The Natural World



### **Calendar Highlights**

Fri Nov 4, 2016

- Professional Learning Session/1-Hour Late Arrival for Students
- 12:15pm Gr. 3 Brown Bag Lunch and Learning Celebration
- 2:30pm Prescott Crew - Collaboration and Competition

Mon Nov 7, 2016

- 5th Graders, bring your instruments! -Lessons w/ Mr. Garde
- 7:30am Rise and Shine
- 8:15am Just Read
- 8:15am Prescott Pans Percussion Practice w/ Mrs. Millius
- 3:30pm Full Group Orchestra Rehearsal w/ Mr. Garde

Tue Nov 8, 2016

- 7:30am Rise and Shine
- 8:15am Just Read

Wed Nov 9, 2016

- 7:30am Rise and Shine
- 8:15am Just Read
- 8:15am Prescott Pans Percussion Practice w/ Mrs. Millius

Thu Nov 10, 2016

- 7:30am Rise and Shine
- 8:15am Just Read
- 8:15am Prescott Choir Practice w/ Mrs. Millius
- 10am 5th Grade Learning Celebration; National River Museum
- 10:30am 2nd Grade Celebration and Brown Bag Lunch

Fri Nov 11, 2016

- Professional Learning Session/1-Hour Late Arrival for Students
- Jean Day to Celebrate Our United Way Campaign!
- 2:10pm School-wide Assembly to Meet a Special Guest
- 2:30pm Prescott Crew - Collaboration and Competition

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