

Kindergarten/1st grade**Teacher: Tolentino****Class Size: 8-10****Text to purchase: None****Day/Time: Thursdays 8:30-Noon/(Optional Tues. - 8:30-Noon)****Tuition: \$565/yr for 1x wk- \$1,130/2x wk****Material fee: \$45/year for 1x wk - \$90/yr for 2x****In- Class Instruction: 3 ½ hrs/wk**

On Tuesdays our K class will combine with the preschool class for a fun filled day of activities. The focus will be on phonics, letter recognition, and sounds.

This class is designed to be a complement to whatever you may (or may not) be doing at home with your kindergartener. Your child will spend the morning learning in a fun and creative way. The material covered during our weekly 3 hour ½ class will be phonics, math, music, science, Bible, Spanish and P.E. This class is designed to help guide your kindergartener in the exciting process of learning to read and working with numbers. We will learn all the letters in the alphabet, their sounds, and many sight words. (Those students already reading, will progress from where they are at.) We will be following the ABeka curriculum for phonics. Our goal is to provide an environment which feeds each child's curiosity while challenging them to grow. Your kindergartener will find learning irresistible as we sing, play games, listen to stories, and express ourselves creatively. No matter what the skill level, there will be opportunities for each child to grow in this literature-rich, multi-sensory environment! Moms will need to rotate through providing snack.

Susan Tolentino-(K/1,Child Development)

Susan and her husband, Robert, reside in Roselle with their three daughters ranging in ages from 7-13. Susan has a BA in Elementary Education from Wheaton College. Susan taught in the public school system for 7 years. After that, she became a children's pastor at the church she attends, Living Hope in Elk Grove, and has served in that role for the past 14 years. Susan also substitute teaches in 2 local school districts.

Susan has worn many hats in her position at LHC, including her current role as early childhood director. She loves the excitement of kindergarteners as they learn to recognize letters and read for themselves. Susan has enjoyed assisting with dramas, musicals, and puppets over the years. She loves breaking kids out of their comfort zones to do things they never thought they could, like singing a solo or being a lead in a drama. Susan is also an active volunteer for Kane County CYT.