

14 Traits of the Kindergarten Teacher



communicative



organized



caring



patient

HES Hansten Elementary School Newsletter

Happy September!

We are excited to introduce Amanda Perez. Ms. Perez is our new kindergarten teacher. She joins our school from California. She taught kindergarten there for five years. Past students called her **kind**, **caring** and **understanding**. Parents appreciated how organized and **communicative** she was. Ms. Perez is a very welcome addition. She specializes in **innovative** and **creative** teaching approaches. We asked her to say a few words.

"I am **passionate** about teaching. I try to be **patient** and **flexible**. Your child's success is my priority. I look forward to meeting you all." – Amanda Perez.

Get ready!

- 1 Before you read the passage, talk about these questions.
 - 1 What personality traits do kindergarten teachers need to have?
 - 2 How do certain personality traits help kindergarten teachers with their jobs?

Reading

- 2 Read the school newsletter. Then, mark the following statements as true (T) or false (F).
 - 1 ___ Ms. Perez has taught kindergarten before.
 - 2 ___ Parents viewed her as kind and understanding.
 - 3 ___ Ms. Perez uses new and creative teaching methods.

Vocabulary

- 3 Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

Word BANK

communicative flexible innovative
organized understanding

- 1 The teacher was _____ and regularly talked with parents.
- 2 Desks should be well _____, with everything in its proper place.
- 3 Children must be picked up at noon. This is not _____.
- 4 The teacher was _____ when the child missed school due to illness.
- 5 That _____ teaching technique is new and different.