

## September Newsletter



### Director's Message

#### September Director's Message

Welcome back Voyage Vikings and a BIG WARM WELCOME to all of our new friends!! It's so great to be back at school and see all of your sweet, smiling faces. We are off to a great start. We are excited to continue our "Be the Good" theme this school year. We are encouraging students to look for ways they can help others. The first Wednesday of every month is designated as our, "Be the Good" day.

We will be spending the first couple of weeks at school discussing safety and school procedures during crew meetings each morning. We have already had our first fire drill. **We will be having a school wide Emergency Evacuation Drill on September 14th. This year we will be evacuating to our #2 evacuation location. This location is the Clinton City Park.** (Same location as the Viking K) Parents will be required to pick up their student that day. Students will not be permitted to walk home. Each student will be checked out at our second evacuation location. Please mark your calendar now. More details will come shortly.

We take the safety of your children very seriously. If there is ever a situation happening at school that is making your child feel uncomfortable, please contact myself or Kami Coleman, our Director of Student Services.

Parents, thank you for all of the effort you have put forth to ensure your children are prepared to come back to school. Thank you for all your supply donations and a huge thanks to everyone who has already started volunteering. Please remember that 30 hours a year is expected of each Voyage family. Part of the reason we have been so successful is because of the amazing families we have attending Voyage Academy.

I am looking forward to another amazing year!!

Love,

Mrs. Phillips

### Volunteer Opportunities

Voyage Academy is such a wonderful school because of amazing parent volunteers! We are grateful for your continued hard work and dedication. Voyage strives to accommodate busy schedules with many different opportunities that will help parents and guardians meet their expected 30 hours of volunteer time per family throughout the year. The students benefit greatly from help in the classroom through Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads Of Great Students), assistance as an expedition expert, fieldwork chaperones, helping the PCO, babysitting for other families so they may help at the school, helping the teachers with various take home projects and much more. If you have any questions or ideas about how you will meet your 30 hours, please contact your child's teachers or the office.

### Upcoming Events

- September 11-15, Safe School Week
- September 14, Emergency Evacuation Drill, Clinton City Park, 2:45pm
- September 21, Welcome Back Assembly (All Past Students Invited), 2:30pm

### Title 1 Info

Each year our school receives funding from School Land Trust and Title 1. Voyage Academy uses this funding for employing our instructional assistants and our RTI coordinator. Information regarding School Land Trust can be found at; <http://www.schoollandtrust.org>. Information regarding Title 1 can be found on the school's website under parent resources or at this [LINK](#).

## Safety

We have an Emergency Evacuation Drill scheduled for Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. Students will evacuate to Clinton City Park (where the Viking K is held). Students and parents will not have access to the school during the evacuation. Students will NOT be permitted to walk home from school that day. Parents can check students out from the park located just north of the school starting at 2:45 PM. In preparation for our Evacuation Drill we are asking ALL parents to log into the parent portal to verify and update emergency contact and pick-up information PRIOR to the evacuation drill. If you have not already logged onto the parent portal you can do so through our website by clicking on the Parents tab and then scrolling down to the Parent/Guardian Portal link. You can also access the parent portal through the following website: <https://voyage.usoe-dcs.org/Login/>. **ONLY** parents or emergency contacts who are over the age of 18 and listed on your student's form will be allowed to pick up students this day. Those picking up students will need to show a picture ID. Even though we recognize you, you will be required to present a photo ID. Please note that AM kindergarten will NOT be participating in our Emergency Evacuation Drill.

In order to be a more paper efficient school, we will email the newsletter each week. If you would like a hard copy, please feel free to ask for one at the office.

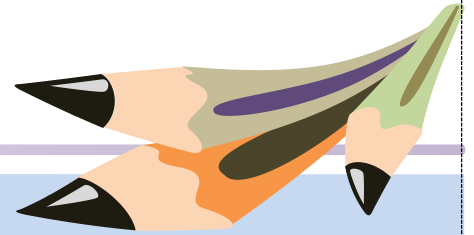
Voyage Academy

1891 N 1500 W

Clinton, UT 84015

801-776-4900

[info@voyageacademyutah.org](mailto:info@voyageacademyutah.org)



## Crew Spotlight Mrs. Philips

Mrs. Phillips is a fourth-grade teacher at Voyage Academy. Her favorite subjects when she was in school were language arts and reading. Her hobbies include: reading, watching old movies and finding new music to listen to. Her favorite books are *Jane Eyre* and *To Kill a Mocking Bird*. If Mrs. Phillips could visit anywhere in the world, she would love to tour Europe and go to a bunch of soccer games. Her hero is her grandma. She was a good listener and had an amazing way of helping people shine at whatever they did. Her favorite thing about Voyage is being a part of a caring family that watches out for one another.

