Dear Dater Family,

Welcome to math class! My name is Ms. Stockbridge and I’m going to be your student’s math teacher for this year. I love Disney, my dog named Dawson, and donuts with sprinkles! I also love math!

I am so excited to begin my first year as a teacher at Dater Montessori. I graduated from Hope College in May with a degree in Elementary and Math Education. I grew up in the Chicago area and have just moved to Cincinnati. I welcome all tips and advice for living in the area and things you love to do!

I believe that math should be fun and accessible for all. In my classroom we will learn that making mistakes is okay and necessary for learning. We will understand why math matters. Most of all, we will learn how to be problem solvers. Being a problem solver will help your children in life no matter what they choose to do when they’re older.

As a guideline, here are some examples of what being a problem solver looks like.

1. Problem solvers see challenges as opportunities to learn.
2. Problem solvers think outside the box.
3. Problem solvers aren’t afraid to be wrong sometimes.
4. Problem solvers like to explore all options.
5. Problem solvers use their words to communicate with others.

We will practice all of these skills this year when working independently and with others.

I cannot wait to meet you all and investigate math with your children! If you ever have questions or concerns, do not hesitate to reach out. I am in the process of being registered with the school and will receive my Dater email in the near future. I will keep you updated with the best ways to contact me as I settle into the school.

Sincerely,

Ms. Stockbridge