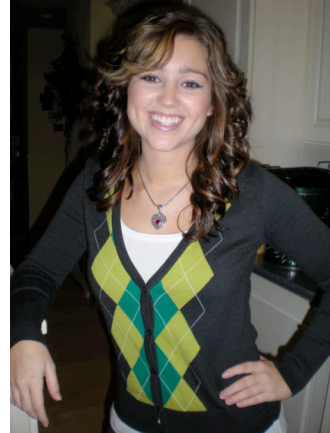


# PRAIRIEVIEW – OGDEN MUSTANGS

5<sup>TH</sup> AND 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE  
PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

*Hello,*

*My name is Meredith Pyle. I am a junior at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and my major is Art Education. My future goal is to go to graduate school for Ceramics so I can one day teach university level, studio art classes.*



*As an art teacher, I promote self-reflection, because it helps people become more aware and sure of themselves – their feelings, surroundings, thoughts, ideas, hopes, desires, and relationships. I also incorporate environmentally friendly practices within my classroom. My inspiration for the themes we are going to be working with this semester comes from the topics discussed in the students' core classes, in turn creating a cohesive learning experience. Some examples of topics include ancient civilizations, the civil rights movement, and astronomy. I will facilitate the students' creativity through 2D and 3D projects, because variation is key when working with a diverse group of unique individuals. Teachers and students affect one another during each encounter in the classroom. It is my role, for this semester and always, to affect my students positively by helping them question, explore, learn, grow, and thrive as individuals.*

*I want to give a special thanks to PVO South, Ms. Howard, and Ms. Patton for giving me this wonderful opportunity to gain knowledge, grow, and improve on the qualifying skills to excel as an art educator. I look forward to teaching, learning from, and working with all of the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students.*

*Sincerely,*

*Meredith Pyle*

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Please sign and return the permission slip by the next class period or 2/16/10. Thank You.

I, Mr./Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, allow \_\_\_\_\_  
and their artwork to be photographed by Meredith Pyle for academic portfolio use.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_