MEET THE TEACHER

September 2020

Dear Parents,

My name is Kristena Adamo, and I am so pleased to be part of your student's educational program this year! I have been reviewing IEPs and collaborating with our general education teachers so that we can work together to meet your student's needs, whatever they may be.

As you may already know, classes begin Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 9:00am live via Google Meet. More information can be found at <u>our 7th-8th Grade Google Site</u>.

If you have any questions or concerns or would just like more information, please feel free to contact me at <u>KSAdamo1@cps.edu</u>. We can also set up a time for a phone call or virtual meeting if you would prefer that. My mobile number is (224) 408-0057, and my office hours are 2:30-4:30pm Mon-Fri. I am really looking forward to developing positive and productive partnerships.

More about me: I'm so excited to start my first year at Sabin Dual Language Magnet School! I received my B.A. in American Ethnic & Minority Literature from UIC in 2009, and went on to earn my M.Ed. in High Incidence Disabilities from Vanderbilt University. I began my teaching career as a collaborative special education teacher in a dual language public school in Athens, GA--at a school that is very similar to Sabin, in fact. Once I returned to Chicago, I taught at a therapeutic day school for students with autism. I am also a writer & editor, and I spend my free time running, going to museums, and reading.

Beginning this school year remotely is certainly going to be an interesting experience for everyone as we continue to adapt to these unique circumstances. While it may be difficult to predict much about how this year will turn out, I believe that with communication, compassion, and dedication, we can still achieve positive outcomes together.

Sincerely, Kristena Adamo, M.Ed.