# WELCOME

Han,

I am so excited to be your child's teacher! We will begin the school year by doing Distance Learning. Every two weeks, a Lesson Plan filled with ageappropriate learning activities will be sent home for you to do with your child. I can't wait to learn more about your child!

Doksta Ake,

Nikki Dow-Markuson

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# ALL ABOUT ME

This is my third year teaching the infants. Your child will reach many developmental milestones over the next year. Your child will be introduced to three different languages; English, Dakota and Sign Language. I am an enrolled member of the Lower Sioux Indian Community. I reside in Redwood Falls with my husband Jon, our three children; Gavin, Gabby and Garek and my Ina (mom) Jennifer. I knew from the time I was a little girl that I wanted to have an intergenerational home so that my children would always have their kunsi (grandma) near. Family is very important to me.

#### MY EDUCATION

I was employed as a Paraprofessional at Reede Gray Elementary School for six years before accepting a teaching position at Cansayapi Wakanyeza Owayawa Oti. I have experience in the Head Start Program both as a teacher and as a parent. I enjoy working with Wakanyeza (children). They bring so much joy to the world!

I have a CDA, Child Development Associate Credential in Education

### MY FAVORITES

- Babies, of course
- Dark Chocolate
  - Coffee