

First day at school

A mother reflects on leaving the nest

"Mary Beth is really excited about starting school," her mother Mrs. Frank Vellucci said. "Every morning she gets up and asks me how many more days she has to wait."

"She went to kindergarten-round-up a little while ago and really loved it. She really seems very eager to start, especially compared to her four older brothers who have been in school for a while now."

"Her brothers haven't been giving her too much advice or telling her too much about it, but I do think they will look out for her and protect her while she is at school."

"We've been busy getting her ready for the first day of school. She went to the doctor for her check-up of course. One day we went shopping and ate lunch in a restaurant."

"And of course, she got new shoes, bright red ones. The children are supposed to know how to tie their shoes when they start kindergarten so she has been practicing that."

"She's also been practicing her ABC's. She said she is really excited to learn some new songs so she can come home and sing them."

Mary Beth Vellucci is one of the nearly 1,000 four and five year olds in Farmington who will be going to school for the first time this September.



Mary has been practicing tying her new shoes.

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She will be walking to Flanders school with her big brother Mike.



Maureen Karn, a salesgirl at the Pixieland store, helps Mary Beth pick out a new dress.

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with Navajo Indian Jewelry and Handicrafts

Sept. 5-15



Navajo Raymond Scott

See genuine Indian handicrafts. Handmade silver and turquoise jewelry by Raymond Scott and members of his tribe. He will be at the Mall, in person, September 9-15 performing his craft to authentic Indian Chants. Each piece is a collector's item made from 99.5% solid silver. There is also Navajo Chief Colbert Joe, & Hopi and Zuni tribes' Cochise Dolls, handwoven rugs, and handmade pottery.

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