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<div align="center">Setting and Context</div>

Beattie elementary is a dual track school, with the grades being split between the students. In the arts section of the school, this means that the grades get cycled through everyday, with half of the students being on Mon / wed / frid and the next week seeing the other half of the students on the same days. The school is quaint, with a large field and playground behind it for the students to play on during recess. The art room has a large rug with polka dots on it, which Mrs. Kimberly Noel utilizes to organize the students. The tables are grouped together to allow students to collaborate and share their work. Each group of tables seats a max of eight students, but that doesn't always stop extra students from squeezing their chairs in. The student body has over 50% of the students on free or reduced lunch cost, with 67.7% of the racial makeup being white and 21.5% being hispanic. (Beattie Elementary School, n.d.) At least one student in each class my group oversaw had a PARA, some classes having two or three students with PARAs accompanying them. The students seem behaved and orderly, with some outbursts at times that are expected. The students listen well to directions and are engaged in the art they make.

When entering the school, the security office is to the right of the front doors, and you enter into the library. To get to the art classroom, you must walk through the gymnasium, and if walking past the art room, you encounter the music room. Also, this is one of the few schools in Colorado that use coteaching as a regular method in all classes except for the specials such as art and music. These students thus have two teachers in each class, allowing for more bonding with the teachers and the teachers being able to meet the needs of the students. Students also stay with the same teachers for all subjects in each grade they are in, all except for the art and music classes. The hallways are narrow but well kept, and the school is in general friendly and clean.

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