

Art

The second grade student will:

- Explore how different media, techniques, and processes can communicate ideas and feelings.
- Experiment with and learn to control painting and drawing materials such as tempera paint, crayons, chalk, and watercolors.
- Construct with and manipulate various 3-D materials such as clay and papier-mâché.
- Further develop art skills, understand design concepts, and comprehend art vocabulary.
- Understand the proper use and care of art materials and equipment.
- Investigate various historical periods and cultures through the use of art history.

Music

The second grade student will:

- Continue to expand vocal range and pitch.
- Become familiar with the hand staff system of reading musical notation.
- Continue to expand music vocabulary to include and understand phrasing, crescendo, decrescendo, tempo, etc.
- Sing partner song and sing and play instruments in response to cues of a conductor.
- Expand knowledge of structure of music and musical ideas.
- Continue public performances and assemblies.

Curriculum Team Vision

All teachers will plan for all instruction using the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks, aligned to the Common Core, and craft powerful learning experiences for students.

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Second Grade Curriculum Guide

English Language Arts

The second grade student will:

Language:

- Use language to make oral presentations and complete retellings of stories, remaining on topic, demonstrating correct sequence, and using appropriate details.
- Actively engage in listening, activate prior knowledge, and follow agreed upon rules when participating in class discussions.
- Extend vocabulary, determine word meanings, and identify antonyms, synonyms, homonyms, compound words, and contractions.
- Demonstrate an understanding of four parts of speech: nouns, pronouns, verbs, and adjectives.
- Begin to use a dictionary and other reference books.
- Use Standard English conventions correctly, including periods, question marks, exclamation points, apostrophes in contractions and possessives, subject/verb agreement, and grammar.
- Increase use of correct standard spelling.

Reading and Literature:

- Identify main idea and supporting details of a story.
- Summarize, draw conclusions, make inferences and compare and contrast what has been written, heard or read.
- Provide evidence from a story to demonstrate understanding of theme, character, and plot.
- Explore different genres of literature, such as poetry, prose, plays, fiction, and non-fiction, employing strategies for reading each effectively.
- Monitor for meaning, demonstrating interaction with print.
- Connect what is read to what is already known.

Composition:

- Write two paragraphs using appropriate topic development and standard conventions in response to a personal narrative prompt.
- Write using a variety of forms for different purposes including friendly letters, personal narratives, poems, stories, journal entries, reports, and responses to literature, answers to open-response questions, informational writing, and persuasive writing.
- Print legibly in manuscript, using proper letter formation, size, and spacing.
- Follow the writing process, using graphic organizers for pre-writing/planning, and engaging in drafting, assessing, revising, editing, and publishing.
- Write a tall tale.

Mathematics

The second grade student will:

Operations and Algebraic Thinking

- Represent and solve problems involving addition and subtraction.
- Add and subtract within 20.
- Work with equal groups of objects to gain foundations for multiplication.

Number and Operations in Base Ten

- Understand place value.
- Use place value understanding and properties of operations to add and subtract.

Measurement and Data

- Measure and estimate lengths in standard units.
- Relate addition and subtraction to length.
- Work with time and money.
- Represent and interpret data.

Geometry

- Reason with shapes and their attributes.

Health Dynamics

The second grade student will:

- Demonstrate responsible personal and social conduct used in physical activity settings.
- Perform rhythm routines including dance to demonstrate fundamental movement skills.
- Be introduced to basic health and hygiene habits.
- Develop methods for handling personal stress in a positive way.
- Develop qualities of integrity leadership, and honesty.

Science and Technology

The second grade student will:

- See the big picture of science as it relates to life, earth, physics, chemistry and engineering.
- Build models to construct their understanding of the solar system and the seasons.
- Dissect flowers and owl pellets to understand the plant life cycle and predator-prey relationships.
- Build devices to test forces and balance.
- Unit Topics are:
 - Our Solar System
 - Sun and Seasons
 - Living Earth
 - Flower Power
 - Grow a Garden
 - Predator and Prey
 - Moth vs. Butterfly
 - Forces
 - Simple Circuits
 - Inventions
 - Balancing Boats
 - Walls and Dams

Social Studies

The second grade student will:

- Study world and United States history, geography, economics, and government by learning more about who Americans are and where they came from.
- Explore their own family's history and listen to or read a variety of teacher- or student-selected stories about: distinctive individuals, peoples, achievements, customs, events, places, or landmarks from long ago and around the world.
- Identify producers, consumers, buyers, and sellers in their own communities.