



1st Grade Curriculum

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Beyond Textbooks (BT)

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- Reading (Language Arts) and Math
- Weekly Packet Note will inform you of the upcoming BT standards
- Essential and Additional Standards
- Grades: Each Essential Standard in BT
 - Common Formative Assessment (CFA)
 - Additional Assessment (either before or after the CFA)
 - Parallel Assessment: Averaged with CFA

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Math Curriculum Overview

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- Addition and Subtraction Word Problems
- Properties of Operation
- Fact Families
- Add/Subtract within 20
- True/False Equations
- Relate to counting to addition and subtraction
- Three whole number word problems
- Unknown number in an addition and subtraction problem
- Counting to 120
- Place Value
- AB Patterns

1st Grade Math Curriculum

- AB Patterns
- Greater Than, Less Than, and Equal to equations
- Finding 10 more and 10 less
- Double Digit Addition
- Subtracting groups of 10
- Ordering three objects by length
- Expressing length of an object
- Graphing
- Time
- Defining attributes of a shape

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- Composing two or three dimensional shapes and composing new shapes
- Fractions
- Money

A group of diverse students and a teacher smiling, overlaid with a teal gradient. The image shows a young boy on the left, a girl with glasses in the center, and a woman on the right. The text "Assessing Our Students" is centered in a white serif font on a dark teal rectangular background.

Assessing Our Students

Common Formative Assessment

- 5 questions given on the current standard to see if mastery is reached
- 3 multiple choice items
- 2 extended response
- If the student does not earn all possible points,, the student receives additional instruction during reteach time and is given a parallel assessment the following week
- If the student earns all possible points, the student receives enrichment on the standard the following week.

Parallel Assessment

- 5 questions given on the current standard to see if mastery is reached after a re-teach opportunity
- 3 multiple choice items with two extended response questions
- The score of the parallel is averaged with the score of the common formative to give a new grade in the grade book

Additional Assessment

- Each BT essential standard has 3 recorded grades associated with it:
 - A practice page (determined by the team/individual teacher) that assesses the progress of the skill prior to taking the Common Formative Assessment.
 - BT Common Formative Assessment/Parallel (Average)

Reteach & Enrich

- Students who need more opportunities to demonstrate mastery after the Common Formative Assessment will attend Reteach classes Monday through Thursday, 12:00-12:30
- Students who demonstrate mastery will be given material to Enrich their standard skills during the same time period

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Daily Math Skills (DMS)

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- 1st grade skills: Counting to 100, Counting backwards from 100, Counting from 101-200, Counting backwards from 200-101, and more.
- Fluency goal for mastery in 1st grade is 40 correct digits
- 20 minutes a day to focus on math skill fluency
 - Practice with a partner (focus on accuracy)
 - Individual practice (focus on speed and accuracy)
 - Scoring
 - Fix problems missed

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Reading Curriculum Overview

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- I can identify and say the beginning, middle, and ending sound in a word.
- I can hear and show each sound in a word.
- I can blend sounds to say a one syllable word.
- I can identify and say a consonant digraph in a word.
- I can recognize and use the features of a sentence including beginning capital and ending punctuation.
- ABC Order
- I can name the number of syllables in a word and read the word.
- I can tell the difference between long and short vowel sounds in a word.

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- I can identify final –e and common vowel teams in words.
- I can read words with inflectional endings. (-ing, -s, -ed)
- I can describe characters, settings, and major events in a fictional story, with details.
- I can use illustrations and details to describe characters, setting, and events.
- I can ask and answer questions in a fictional story with details.
- I can retell a fictional story with details.
- I can compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in stories.

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- I can tell the difference between books that tell stories and books that give information. (Fiction and non-fiction)
- I can identify and use the features of an expository text.
- I can use illustrations and details to describe key ideas.
- I can ask and answer questions to help understand meanings of words.
- I can identify the main idea and details in informational text.
- I can identify details in a text that support the main idea.
- I can describe how two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text are alike or different.
- I can use illustrations and details to describe characters, setting, and events.

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- I can ask and answer questions in a fictional story with details.
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- I can identify details in a text that support the main idea.
- I can describe how two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text are alike or different.
- Phonics Charts
 - Daily practice of phonics to help with reading, spelling, and fluency.
- Comprehension skills
 - Practice of story comprehension skills as an entire class, in small group, and also independently.

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McGraw-Hill Reading

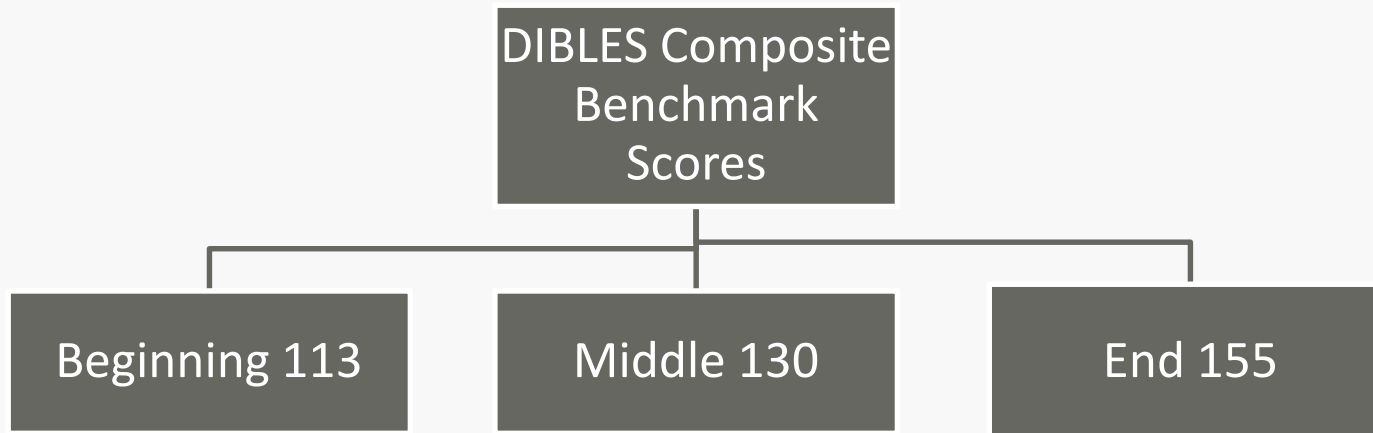
- Vocabulary
- Reading Comprehension
- Reading Strategies
 - Story Elements
 - Cause/Effect
 - Compare/Contrast
 - Author's Perspective and Point of View
 - Sequencing
 - Draw Conclusions
 - Main Idea

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McGraw-Hill Reading

- Summarize
- Problem/Solution
- Make Inferences
- Form Generalizations
- Fiction/Non Fiction
- Predict

DIBELS



- Students falling short of benchmark goals are given a specific test to define skill deficiency
- Groups are formed to help with specific reading skills for students below the fluency goal

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Spelling Curriculum Overview

1st Grade Spelling Curriculum

- McGraw-Hill Spelling
- 15 Words
 - Phonetic Sounds
 - Academic Vocabulary

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Grammar Curriculum Overview

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McGraw-Hill Grammar

- Sentences
- Subjects/predicates
- Combining Sentences
- Nouns
- Adjectives
- Pronouns
- Verbs
- Adverbs
- Capitalization
- Abbreviations
- Punctuation

1st Grade Grammar Curriculum

McGraw-Hill Grammar

- Usage
- Vocabulary
- Sentence editing



Social Studies & Science Curriculum Overview

1st Grade Science Curriculum

- All Students Kindergarten through 6th Grade (K-6th) will be exploring the basic fundamentals, concepts, and principles of science to include:
 - Scientific Method (Formulation and validation of Hypothesis with experimentation)
 - Animal and plant biology
 - Earth, space, and environmental Science
 - Geology (Study of different rocks, elements, metals)
 - Chemistry
 - Science World
 - Reading Comprehension

1st Grade Social Studies Curriculum

- Arizona standards related materials
- United Streaming media, Discovery Channel, and other science related videos
- Studies Weekly

1st Grade Science Curriculum

- Science Tools
- Science Safety
- Earth
- Water
- Weather
- Space
- The Sun
- Living Things
- Plants

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- Animals
- Our Bodies
- Energy

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Writing Curriculum Overview

1st Grade Writing Curriculum

- Write From The Beginning
 - 1st grade builds the solid foundations of writing to lead to full paragraphs including opening and closing sentences as well as details when they get to the 2nd grade.
- Writing Genres
 - Personal Narratives
 - Expository Writing
 - Persuasive Writing
 - Research Report

Thinking Maps

- Specific ways to organize information.
- Used across all academic areas
 - Circle
 - Bubble
 - Double Bubble
 - Tree
 - Flow
 - Multi-Flow
 - Brace
 - Bridge

Technology

- Polyvision Smartboard
 - Allows for interactive activities for engaging learners
 - Instant access to multimedia for visual learners
- 1st grade class set laptops
 - 1 hour a week (two 30 minute sessions) on A+ Math
 - ½ hour a week (1 30 minute session) on A+ Reading
 - 20-30 minutes per week keyboarding skills
- **A+ Access from any internet-ready device:**
<http://noahwebster.lrpnow.com:7711/login>

Technology

- A+ Program for Math
 - Students take an initial placement (IP) test
 - Lessons are individually based on results of IP test
 - Program can both enrich and re-teach math skills
 - Program can be accessed from any web-enabled device
- Fuse Document Camera
 - Allows for teacher modeling on any activity/assignment
 - Allows for students to share their work with class
- Quizdom remotes
 - Allows for immediate feedback from students
 - Allows for increased student engagement and fun while learning!

Field Trips

- Integral part of meeting individual learning styles and coincides with Arizona State Standards
 - Phoenix Zoo
 - Phoenix Children's Museum
 - Vertuccio's Pizza Farm
 - I.D.E.A Museum

Homework

- Each night please take out all papers on the “keep at home” side of the homework folder
- Homework log record:
 - 15 minutes of reading
 - 1 minute fluency page
- Nightly homework to be turned in:
 - Spelling activity
 - Daily homework page (math)
 - Ask your child to explain how they got the answer
 - Daily Math Skill practice
 - Reading Comprehension Worksheet

A Typical Day

Bell Work	8:30 – 9:00
Metra	9:00 – 9:30
<i>Recess</i>	<i>9:30 – 9:45</i>
Reading	9:45 – 11:00
<i>Lunch</i>	<i>11:00 – 11:35</i>
Math	11:35 – 12:00
Reteach and Enrich	12:00 – 12:30
Daily Math Skills	12:30 – 1:00
Writing	1:00 – 1:30
<i>Recess</i>	<i>1:30 – 1:45</i>
Computer or Science or Social Studies	1:45 – 2:45
Pack Up	2:45

Report Cards/Midterm Grades

- Each academic subject (math, language arts, spelling, science, social studies, writing) is calculated 100% on assessments and graded class assignments. There are no participation points factored in.
- Language Arts includes grades for reading, grammar, and phonics
- Homework is important! Homework is part of academic overall grade for honor roll
- Penmanship is not a part of the academic overall for honor roll

How Can You Help At Home?

- **A+:** <http://noahwebster.lrpnow.com>
- **Spelling City:** www.spellingcity.com
 - Spelling Lists, Games & Practice

1st Grade Specials

- Physical Education (P.E.)
 - 30 minutes, once a week
 - Please help your child wear appropriate footwear and bring a water bottle when they have P.E.
 - Activities focus on team work, sportsmanship, personal integrity and fair play.
- Music
 - 30 minutes, once a week
 - Lessons are presented in three-week units with an assessment at the end.
 - Utilizes interactive white board activities and a variety of engaging songs, instruments, and games.

Noah Webster Library

- Through our Noah Webster website, Quest allows students to access our current library catalog system from anywhere they have access to the Internet.

New & Exciting

For art and library volunteer information please stop by the Multipurpose Room or contact your child's teacher by email or phone.

In Closing...

If you have questions about your child specifically or questions regarding the 1st grade curriculum, please email or call your child's teacher.



Thank you for coming!

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