



Kindergarten Standards Overview

Language Arts

Reading

- Retells and recalls key details in stories and texts, including main events, facts, characters and settings
- Recognizes common text types and identifies the roles of the author and illustrator in telling a story
- Compares and contrasts the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.
- Understands organization of print
 - Follows words from left to right, top to bottom
 - Recognizes and names all upper and lowercase letters
- Demonstrates understanding of syllables and sounds
 - Recognizes and produces rhymes
 - Produces, blends and segments syllables
- Knows and applies phonics to read words
 - Demonstrates that each letter makes one sound
 - Knows long and short sounds of five major vowels

Writing

- Uses drawings, dictation and writing to compose opinion, informative, and narrative writings
- Writes three complete sentences on topic

Language

- Demonstrates command of English grammar, punctuation and spelling
 - Prints many upper and lower-case letters
 - Capitalizes the first word in a sentence and pronoun *I*
 - Recognizes and names end punctuation
 - Spells simple words phonetically

Math

- Count to 100 by ones and tens
- Write numbers 0 – 20
- Understand that a number represents a quantity or number of objects
- Identify and compare groups, and numbers 1 - 10 as greater than, less than and equal to one another
- Solve addition and subtraction word problems within 10
- Decompose numbers less than 10 into pairs
- Fluently add and subtract within 5
- Compose and decompose numbers 11 – 19 into ten and some further numbers (e.g., $18 = 10 + 8$)
- Classify objects into categories
- Identify and name shapes
- Identify shapes as 2 or 3 dimensional



Science

- Make observations using appropriate senses
- Plan and conduct simple investigations
- Construct simple charts from data and observations
- Share ideas through purposeful conversations
- Describe the position of an object in relation to other objects
- Observe how objects fall to the earth (gravity)
- Understand elements of force
 - Pushes and pulls can move objects
 - The shape and mass of an object can affect motion
- Identifies the basic needs of living things
- Identifies and compares living and non-living things
- Identifies earth materials that occur in nature
- Describes how earth materials contribute to growth of plant and animal life

Social Studies

- Distinguish among yesterday, today and tomorrow
- Create a timeline of events from their own life
- Identify the beginning, middle and end of historical narrative or stories
- Recognize that maps and globes represent places
- Identify and describe places in the immediate environment
- Identify our country's flag as an important symbol of the United States
- Explain why people do not have the right to do whatever they want (e.g., to promote fairness, ensure common good, maintain safety)
- Distinguish between goods and services
- Recognize situations in which people trade
- Identify and express a position on a classroom issue.