

# Fourth Grade Curriculum Night

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2022-23

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# Block Scheduling

Your child spends a full day with one teacher and the next full day with their other teacher. This way they are taught 2 lessons per day of Math/Science or ELA/Social Studies. Students do not miss a class if there is a holiday, and will go to that class the very next day. Because of this block scheduling, it is important for your child to be at school so they do not miss 2 lessons a day. Homework is given each night and is very important for them to do.

# BEST Standards

The state updated FL standards to Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (BEST)

For more information you can see CPALMS at

<https://www.cpalms.org/Public/search/Standard>

Check out fourth grade standards by clicking the drop downs for ELA or Math

# Basic Schedule

8:30 School starts/morning announcements

Students either have ELA, or Math until 10:30 depending on which teacher they are with.

10:30-11:15 is Specials (must wear sneakers on PE days). Wed. Specials are from 10:05-10:40.

Return and do 2nd block of Math or ELA.

12:40-1:00 Recess and then lunch from approx. 1:00-1:35ish.

Reading Intervention for 30 minutes

Science or Social Studies

3:00 dismissal (Wed. 2:00) Car riders/vans dismissed first, some buses, walkers/bikers, rest of buses as they arrive, Kid Zone.

# ELA

iReady Reading - 30 minutes each week

Read for 30 - 45 minutes EVERY day

Record in R.E.D folder (journal write about daily reading)

Writing prompts in homework folder

Google Classroom Skills homework assigned Monday and due Friday

Writing is a BIG focus this year

# Math

Practice ALL math facts (multiplication, and division, addition and subtraction)

Currently our focus is Mult. Facts through 12. **IT IS SO VERY IMPORTANT FOR YOUR CHILD TO KNOW THEIR X FACTS, AS MOST OF THE 4TH GRADE STANDARDS INCLUDE MULTIPLICATION AND/OR DIVISION.**

Multi-step word problems using all 4 operations

Homework is given each night and due the day they are back with the teacher who gave the homework.

iReady Math 30 minutes, split over 2 days each week

Multiplication fluency checks regularly

3 FAST Tests during the year (first one already taken) to test their understanding of the standards being taught.

Students keep a math interactive notebook at school.

**PLEASE HELP US BY MAKING SURE YOUR CHILD DOES THEIR HOMEWORK AND PUTS IT IN THEIR BLUE FOLDER TO RETURN BACK TO SCHOOL. WE ARE HEARING LOTS OF EXCUSES.**

# Reminders:

Check and sign planner every night for homework and notes

Snack happens after specials each day.- Students can bring in their own and also donations for the class are always welcome. **STUDENTS CONTINUE TO WORK WHILE HAVING THEIR 5-10 MINUTE SNACK.**

School hours are 8:30-3:00, with dismissal at 2:00 on Wednesdays. **Our tardy bell rings at 8:35 this year.** Students must be here on time EVERY DAY or go to the front office for a tardy slip.

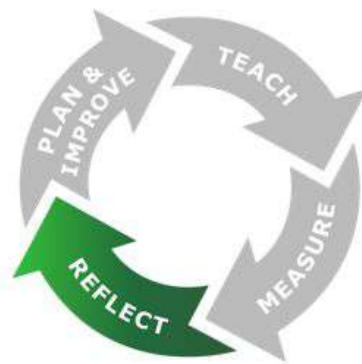
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22-23 f.a.s.t.

## progress monitoring assessments

- To accurately gauge and support student learning in ELA and mathematics during these important transitions, SCPS will use multiple methods to monitor students' progress toward mastering the BEST benchmarks.



# 22-23 f.a.s.t.

## progress monitoring assessments

- Florida Assessment of Student Thinking, or FAST, refers to the new Coordinated Screening and Progress Monitoring (CSPM) System assessments, which are aligned to the Benchmarks in Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards.
  - The FAST progress monitoring tool is designed to track students' progress toward meeting end of the year grade level performance goals. As this is the first time these assessments will be administered; results will be used for informational purposes only and will provide information about the students' progress on mastering B.E.S.T. benchmarks. Students enrolled in grades 3 through 5 ELA and mathematics will participate in these assessments at the beginning, middle and end of the year.





## F.A.S.T. Progress Monitoring #2 Window

- January 9<sup>th</sup> – January 27<sup>th</sup>

## F.A.S.T Progress Monitoring #3 Window

- May 1<sup>st</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>

For more information please visit: [flfast.org](http://flfast.org)

# Music

Students in kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade attend music class once a week. In this class, students not only learn musical skills, but access tools to increase creativity through game-based learning. This approach incorporates the spoken word, singing, movement, and instrument playing. Children thrive in this structured and fun environment as they explore the elements of music.



# Physical Education

Students in Kindergarten through 5th grade will focus on basic movements including running, jumping, throwing, and catching. As well as develop **balancing, agility and coordination skills** and begin to apply them to a range of activities. Students will participate in cooperative/team games while developing simple tactics for attacking and defending.

## Top 5 Reasons Why Physical Education is as Important as School Work:

- Physical activity enhances an individual's ability to think, concentrate, & focus. ...
- Physical activity is important for healthy growth & development. ...
- Physical activity prevents sleep deprivation. ...
- Physical activity helps relieve stress and anxiety.





# Art

Students in grades K-5 attend art once per week. Florida's art standards cover the following areas:

: Critical Thinking and Reflection

: Skills, Techniques, and Processes

: Organizational Structure

: Historical and Global Connections

: Innovation, Technology, and the Future



# Science

Scientific Method

Properties of Matter

Rocks and Minerals

Earth and Space

Plants and Animals

Energy and Motion

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# Social Studies

Project Based

Each quarter

Important that your child is in school to complete



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# February 7, 2023- Field Trip to St. Augustine

A letter went home explaining this field trip and the cost of \$70 for each student.

You can pay all at one time, in increments until the end of January, and by check, cash, or at MySchoolBucks.

Florida History is a big part of the Social Studies curriculum, and they will get to visit many historical sites in St. Augustine.

Your child will need to be driven to school early, and picked up after school hours.

They will truly enjoy this trip!

# Google Classroom

Weekly Newsletter- Listed in your teacher's Google Classroom and in Skyward the end of each month.

Contact info, homework, upcoming events, and resources

Assignments

Resources

# Around Campus

iReady incentives for students - tickets for passing lessons at 70% or higher

Various Clubs

Rewards at lunch for SOAR behaviors

Soar Bucks

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# Resources

SAVVAS Realize to access their math books online

Readworks.org

Khanacademy.org

Generation Genius (tile in portal)

OverDrive (tile in portal) Book Checkout Online

Study Island (tile in portal)

McGraw Hill Wonders (tile in portal)

# QUESTIONS?

We are truly enjoying our new group of 4th graders!