



### **Multi.-Cat. Special Education K-2 Syllabus**

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Room 404

**Daily Schedule:** Pending Approval

#### **Long Range Plans:**

The Special Education Multi.- Cat. classroom's long range plans are based off the student's IEP goals. Students are put into groups with similar goals and ability levels to increase individualization of instruction for all students. Goals are based off student need and the progressions of grade level standards.

#### **Units of Instruction:**

##### ***Reading/Writing/Phonics (ELA):***

**SPiRE** is a reading intervention program that increases students' reading skills through explicit teacher-led instruction, a 10-step lesson model, and multisensory teaching. Lessons

consist of a review of letters and sounds, phonological awareness, word building, decoding and sentence reading, reading, sound dictation, spelling, and sentence dictation. Students complete workbook pages for comprehension and vocabulary. Students will be placement tested to determine where they place in the program and will receive instruction through the SPIRE program daily.

**Sounds Sensible** is a program for beginning readers that builds the foundational skills of reading through a series of listening, rhyming, segmentation, and dictation to teach the letters, sounds, and letter-sound relationships. **Kindergarten** students will receive daily instruction through the Sounds Sensible program.

Additional reading instruction is also provided, based on general education standards and the students' individual instructional levels. Students in **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade** will participate in guided reading groups. Kindergarten will begin guided reading groups later in the school year. First and second grade students will work on 3-5 spelling words and 1 word family per week. They will be tested each Friday. Spelling words are listed in the newsletter each week. **Kindergarten** focuses on one popcorn word per week and is also tested on Fridays. Word families are introduced to kindergarten around March.

#### Kindergarten Popcorn Words:

<input type="checkbox"/> a	<input type="checkbox"/> me
<input type="checkbox"/> he	<input type="checkbox"/> we
<input type="checkbox"/> at	<input type="checkbox"/> go
<input type="checkbox"/> in	<input type="checkbox"/> on
<input type="checkbox"/> see	<input type="checkbox"/> the
<input type="checkbox"/> an	<input type="checkbox"/> like
<input type="checkbox"/> I	<input type="checkbox"/> my
<input type="checkbox"/> so	<input type="checkbox"/> you
<input type="checkbox"/> and	<input type="checkbox"/> do
<input type="checkbox"/> is	<input type="checkbox"/> come
<input type="checkbox"/> it	<input type="checkbox"/> of
<input type="checkbox"/> to	<input type="checkbox"/> for
<input type="checkbox"/> can	<input type="checkbox"/> that
<input type="checkbox"/> up	<input type="checkbox"/> was
<input type="checkbox"/> am	<input type="checkbox"/> are

Additional reading and phonics instruction includes spelling, word families, and reading comprehension. We do a daily read-aloud, and writing is incorporated and integrated throughout all subjects.

#### **Math:**

Students will receive a combination of math instruction from the state standards, as well as the SRA direct instruction Connecting Math Concepts (CMC) program. This scripted program includes concepts such as counting, one-to-one correspondence, addition, and

subtraction, in which students complete a lesson and workbook page approximately every 2 days. There is constant review and repetition as we move through the lessons.

**Kindergarten Math Units:**

Identifying and Describing 2-D Shapes  
Classifying 2 and 3-Dimensional Shapes  
Rote counting/Understanding amount counted  
Writing and representing numbers 1-10  
Classifying and Counting Objects  
Rote Counting to 50 and representing 20 objects  
Comparing numbers  
Understanding and Representing Addition and Subtraction to 5  
Adding and Subtracting within 5  
Describing/Comparing measurable attributes  
Composing 10  
Understanding Adding and Subtracting within 10  
Counting to 100 by ones and tens  
Developing Foundations of Place Value  
Modeling Shapes  
Solving Problems and Demonstrating Fluency

**1st Grade Math Units:**

Ten Ones Make a Ten  
Developing Addition/Subtraction Strategies  
Exploring Quantities to 100  
Measuring, Ordering, and Comparing Lengths  
Using Data to Add/Subtract within 20  
Telling Time to the Hour and Half Hour  
Distinguishing Attributes of Shapes and Patterns  
Extending Addition and Subtraction Strategies to 20 and Story Problems  
Place Value  
Adding Multiples of 10  
Composing Shapes  
Understanding the Equal Sign  
Understanding Place Value to Add/Subtract  
Applying Properties of Operations to Add 3 Addends  
Finding Equal Shares of Shapes  
Identifying Coins

**2nd Grade Math Units:**

Fluency to 20/Exploring Even and Odd Numbers  
Using Place Value to Add/Subtract within 100

Exploring Standard Units in Length  
Relating Addition/Subtraction to Length  
Relating Skip Counting to Time  
Solving Problems with Money  
Place Value to 999  
Expressing/Comparing Three-Digit Numbers  
Skip Counting to Add/Subtract  
Reasoning with Shapes and their Attributes  
Applying Strategies to Add/Subtract within 1000

***Social Skills:***

We integrate social skills throughout our daily routines, but we also focus on a new social skill each week through video modeling, teacher modeling, peer role playing, literature, and personal experiences. The intention of focusing on specific social skills is to assist students with generalizing these behaviors and appropriate interactions to their own personal experiences and self-regulation. The skills we will focus on include but are not limited to: being a kind friend, using personal space, asking for help, understanding feelings/emotions, starting a conversation with friends, being a respectful listener, greetings and goodbyes, playing appropriately with friends: sharing, taking turns, and not interrupting/waiting our turn.

***Social Studies/Science/Themes:***

Social studies and science are integrated throughout each day through read-aloud and group discussions, and they follow a theme each week. We incorporate the Kindergarten themes/units as our weekly areas of focus. Students will participate in general education classroom inclusion for science/social studies as indicated on their IEP.

**South Carolina College and Career Ready Standards:**

Because this class is a multi-grade class, we pull from the ELA and Math general education state standards when planning instruction. A complete listing of standards can be accessed through South Carolina State Department website:  
<http://ed.sc.gov/instruction/standards-learning/>

**Evaluation of Student Progress**

Students will be evaluated according to progress towards their individual IEP goals. The following descriptions will be used on progress reports every 9 weeks to explain student progress towards IEP goals along with supporting data:

**NI:** Not Introduced

**MP:** Minimal Progress

**SP:** Satisfactory Progress

**M:** Mastered

**NM:** Not Mastered

**Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Students:** Will receive standards-based report cards according to their grade level every quarter according to the following scale:

**M:** The student **consistently meets or exceeds end-of-year** expectations for this standard.

**P:** The student shows **expected growth/progress** in meeting this end-of-year standard.

**B:** The student is **beginning to progress** toward meeting this end-of-year standard.

**N:** The student **needs intensive support** at school and home to develop this end-of-year standard.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Students:** Will receive grades based on the school-wide grading scale:

A: 90-100

B: 80-89

C: 70-79

D: 60-69

U: 59 or below

### **eLearning Guidelines**

All students have an **Instructional Contingency Plan (ICP)**. A copy of the ICP has been provided to all families. The ICP outlines the types of services students will receive on eLearning Days for Emergency eLearning, Blended eLearning, and Full eLearning.

Prior to a planned eLearning day, I will send a note home with the student describing expected work completion and a reminder of Google Meet times. All students will have a Google Classroom for our class. We will use this during our school days at LFE and if we have eLearning days. The Google Classroom will have a link to the Google Meet and a visual of the meeting time. At the beginning of the school year, the parents and students will practice getting into our Google Classroom and Google Meet with me. If students do not submit work and/or attend the Google Meet on the days they are at home, they will be counted absent. Once students exceed 10 absences, they will be considered truant.

### **School-Wide Positive Behavior System (PBIS)**

Lake Forest Elementary vision is "Taking Pride in Learning."

The mission of Lake Forest Elementary School is to provide a nurturing, student-centered learning environment where students are empowered to learn about the world, persevere through challenges, and develop positive character traits.

Specific classroom expectations for our class are as follows:

- We try our best.
- We keep our hands to ourselves.
- When the teacher is talking, we are listening.

- We use kind words.
- We use walking feet.
- We take care of our things.

### **Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS):**

Lake Forest Elementary is a PBIS school (Positive Behavior Intervention Support).

Students follow LFE PRIDE Expectations in all school settings. Students will be provided Individual PRIDE Points for following expectations throughout the building. Students will be provided the opportunity to spend these PRIDE points in our classroom. Students will view a Google Slide at the beginning of the school year to learn our school expectations. We will review the expectations on a daily basis.

	<b>Classroom</b>	<b>Cafeteria</b>	<b>Hallways</b>	<b>Bathroom</b>	<b>Bus</b>
<b>Positive</b>	-Praise others -Share -Take turns -Use calming strategies	-Eat for energy	-Smile -Silent wave	-Wait your turn	-Be a positive role model
<b>Respectful</b>	-Follow directions -Keep hands/feet/objects to yourself -Clean up after yourself -Use manners (say please/thank you)	-Speak clearly and politely with cafeteria staff -Keep hands/feet/objects to yourself -Clean up after yourself	-S & Q-straight and quiet -Keep hands/feet/objects to yourself	-Use bathroom quickly and quietly -Keep hands/feet/objects to yourself -Clean up after yourself	-Speak and listen kindly to others -Follow directions -Keep hands/feet/objects to yourself -Clean up after yourself
<b>Involved</b>	-Ask on topic questions -Answer appropriately -Be prepared -Complete my work in a timely manner	-First 10 minutes of lunch are for eating	-Remember others' personal space	-Wash your hands	-Look out for others
<b>Determined</b>	-Try and try again -Accept feedback -Work to solve problems	-Use table manners	-Keep up with your class	-Flush after use	-Safety first
<b>Effort</b>	-Ask for help -Do your best work -Stay on task	-Be prepared to order	-Walk safely	-Use only what you need	-Sit correctly

### **Homework Policy**

In our classroom, homework is very limited. All students should read at home with a parent for 15-20 minutes each night. **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade** students should review spelling words each night for spelling tests at the end of the week. **Kindergarten** students should practice weekly sight word recognition with their flashcards as the words are introduced.

Parents can always review with their child by practicing letter and sound identification, rote counting, number recognition, and one-to-one correspondence with various objects. Parents can help reinforce the concepts learned in class by reviewing the work students bring home each week.

**Classroom Management Plan:**

Behavior will be communicated daily to parents via a message on Remind or Seesaw. You will receive a brief note about your child's day so you are aware of how your child does at school on a daily basis. Students who demonstrate LFE PRIDE Expectations, positive behavior, complete work, and follow directions at school have the opportunity to earn a prize from our classroom's treasure chest on a daily basis. Individualized behavior charts/plans will be developed/implemented on a case by case or as needed basis, depending on the student needs.

**Procedures for Non-Instructional Routines:**

**Restroom/Water:** We have a bathroom in our classroom, and students are allowed to use the restroom as often as needed. Individual bathroom schedules/routines are implemented as needed. Students are expected to use the bathroom without playing and to wash/dry their hands afterwards. Students are allowed to fill up their water bottles each morning upon arrival. Students should not drink out of water fountains

**Recess/Physical Activity:** Recess is 20 minutes each day. Students are expected to play appropriately by keeping their hands to themselves, social distance, and follow teacher directives on the playground.

**Transitions:** During transitional times, students must listen to the teacher and move quickly to the designated area to begin their work. Picture cues, visual timers, and bells are used as reminders for appropriate behavioral expectations.

**Communication with Parents**

Parents will receive either a Remind or Seesaw message each day their child is in attendance at school with a brief message about their child's day. Phone calls and e-mail are other ways I often communicate with parents. Parents are welcome to call, e-mail, write a note, or send a message through Remind or Seesaw at any time if they have any questions or concerns about their child. Please let me know when your child has a rough morning before arriving at school so we can help with the transition to the school day. I will contact the parent back within 24 hours. Please note that if a phone call is made; the classroom phone will not ring during the school day.

We will meet for each child's annual review of his/her IEP before the IEP ending date. The IEP team is legally required to meet once a year for an Annual Review IEP meeting. At the meeting, the team will discuss present levels including strengths/needs, future goals, services, accommodations, and extended school year. Parents have the right to request an IEP meeting at any time during the school year. Please contact me to initiate this.

A weekly newsletter will be posted on the class website and e-mailed to parents on Mondays with information about what we are doing in school each week. This newsletter also includes reminders and important upcoming dates.

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