



# Second Grade Syllabus

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Second grade is going to be an exciting academic year for your child. You will be amazed and proud of the rapid progress your child will make. In order for this unusual year to be a success, we need your help and constant support at home. Whether we are in person or through e-learning, we have prepared an organized and structured environment to best promote your child's academic growth. We hope the following information will help you to better understand how your child's classroom will be managed and make for a smooth and successful year.

# Units of Instruction

## Parent Friendly Versions of Curriculum and Pacing Maps

If you would like to look deeper into our second grade curriculum, the link below is the parent friendly version of our curriculum maps and pacing guides created by academics.

## Elementary

Click here for printable version of this map.																																																																																																																																																						
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Reading	1-Training of Core Reading										2-Reading the World										3-Reading How Jobs to Do										4-Becoming A Story's Reader										5-Reading Across Texts										7-Reading To Learn																																																																																																			
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Curriculum Support	1-Narrative Writing - Improving Narrative										2-Informational Writing - A Subject Is Informative Writing										3-Narrative Writing - Learning From Fiction										4-Opinion Writing - Writing Persuasive										5-Narrative Writing - A Study of Poetry										6-Expository Writing - Writing About										7-Informational Writing - Writing The Science																																																																																									
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Math	1-Planning to 2000's										2-Living Place Value to 1000's										3-Exploring Multiplication Facts										4-Reading Whole Numbers to Length										5-Reading Fact Families to 10										6-Solving Problems with 1000										7-Place Value to 1000										8-Exponential Thinking										9-Using Addition to 1000's										10-Using Multiplication to Solve Problems										11-Comparing Measurement Units to Solve Problems										12-Recognizing Patterns in Our Area										13-Applying Skills to Area & with 1000										14-Using Fractions to Measure										15-Developing Patterns to 1000's									
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Health	1-Personal & Community Health										2-Mental, Emotional & Social Health										3-Physical Education & Safety										4-Health										5-Nutrition & Physical Activity										6-Human Growth & Development																																																																																																			
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## Evaluation of Student Progress/Calculation of Grades

The evaluation tools are selected on the basis of the appropriateness for the concept that is taught. Teacher observation, oral assessments, projects or reports, homework, journals, student portfolios, rubrics, anecdotal records, conferences with students, open-ended question responses, class participation and performance are examples of evaluation tools that may be used. Reading and math assessments will be given after each unit. Re-teaching and re-testing strategies are used to remediate and strengthen weaknesses.

### Grading Scale

A- 100-90

B- 89-80

C- 79-70

D- 69-60

F- 59 and below

## **Assessment Policy**

Students will not receive mid-term progress reports this year. You will be notified if your child's grades are a D or F in one or more content areas. **Parents will be responsible for signing up on the school district backpack. This backpack will allow you to view your child's progress in school. This is a great way for you to be involved in your child's education. The parent portal is no longer being used for student information.**

## **Classroom Management**

### **School-Wide Discipline Policy**

Lake Forest Elementary implements PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Support). As part of PBIS, expectations were developed for all areas in the school (including the classroom). Positive student behavior is encouraged through the use of Pride Bucks. These are coupons that students are given when they are following the expectations and exhibiting positive behavior. Pride Bucks can be cashed in at the Pride Bucks Store for goodies and coupons for specific privileges. Class Pride Bucks are given to ENTIRE classrooms for following school rules and expectations. Once a class reaches 10 class Pride Bucks, the class can choose from a menu of rewards to celebrate. Students who reach 35 Pride Bucks by the end of each quarter, will enjoy a "PRIDE Bash!" There will be a big Bash to celebrate good behavior at the end of the year.

## **Procedures for Non-Instructional Routines**

- Attendance will be taken daily.
- Indoor or outdoor recess will be given each day.
- Children are taught the procedures for fire drills, earthquake drills, tornado drills, and other kinds of emergencies.
- **No personal pencil sharpeners are allowed in the classroom.**

### **Dismissal Procedures**

If there is a change in your child's transportation, you **MUST** send a note explaining the change. Students cannot be released without this note. If the student is a car rider, the adult **MUST** have a school issued dismissal card from Lake Forest Elementary with the student's name on it. If there is no tag, you will be sent to the front office to pick up the child. If another family member or friend will be picking up your child on a random or regular basis, please send your child's teacher a note as soon as possible letting them

know that you give your permission for your child to go home with this person. **No early dismissals after 1:45 PM.**

### **Lunch**

Please label all lunch boxes/paper bags with your child's name. If you are sending money for lunch, please place the money in an envelope or Ziploc bag with their name on it, and your child's teacher will send it to the cafeteria in the morning. Students choose their lunch at the beginning of each day. The students have 10 minutes of silent lunch each day, after ten minutes they are free to talk quietly to their neighbors.

### **Absences/Makeup Policy**

**Attendance will be taken daily, even during times of e-learning. If a student misses a day of e-learning for illness, that will be considered an absence.**

Good attendance is required for high academic achievement. School hours are from  
7:45am - 2:15pm

To receive credit for the day, students must be present for at least 3.25 hours of the day's instructional time. Family vacations, birthday parties, weddings, and/or educational sight-seeing-family trips are all unlawful absences. However, when a student is absent, either lawfully or unlawfully, a parental written excuse including date and reason for absence, is expected on the child's first day back to school. Without a parental note, an absence is unverified, therefore it is considered unlawful. Three consecutive unlawful absences and/or five unlawful yearly absences will result in a disciplinary referral.

Arriving at school on time is very important to the success of your child. **Students are marked tardy if they arrive after the 7:45am bell.** In order for students to achieve perfect attendance during awards day ceremonies, students may have no more than three tardies.

*Students who miss school will have 5 days to make up any missed work. Parents may call by 8:30 to request assignments if their child is going to be out. Assignments will be in the office by 3:00pm.*

*Other important information can be found in the student handbook. Please read it carefully and be aware of school procedures.*

### **Communication**

Communication will be in the form of newsletters, phone calls, notes, and conferences. All communication will be documented. At the end of the first nine weeks, conferences

will be held. Also, conferences may be scheduled as needed. Also, please check class websites **on a regular basis**. It will contain all newsletters, and news that may be pertinent to your child.

### **Weekly Newsletters**

You can expect to receive a newsletter every week through email or class dojo. Newsletters can be printed and sent home upon request. It will contain important information about projects, homework, tests, school events, volunteering, etc. It is very important that you read these. Each week the newsletter is also posted on class websites.

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

*A complete listing of standards can be accessed through the Greenville County School District Website and the South Carolina State Department Website.*

<http://ed.sc.gov/instruction/standards-learning/>