



REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 13

Grades K-2 ELA Parent Resources

RSD13 Core Ethical Values: Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Kindness & Courage

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Literacy Instruction



Regional School District 13 provides every student with the opportunity to participate in a rich literacy environment. This will include direct instruction as well as differentiated instruction to meet students at their level.

Students will participate in:

- Readers' Workshop
- Guided reading and strategy groups
- Read alouds and shared reading
- Word Study
- Writing
- Vocabulary

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Readers' Workshop



Readers' Workshop is an instructional model that focuses on the work of the reader. This model balances direct instruction, guided practice and independent practice. Students will have opportunities to self-select books and read a variety of text.

What will my child learn?

- To develop reading stamina
- To apply decoding skills to read accurately
- To develop and monitor comprehension skills
- To read fluently
- To read a variety of genres
- To work collaboratively with peers to explain their thinking

What does a lesson look like?

1. Mini Lesson
2. Independent Practice
3. Guided Instruction
4. Partner Work
5. Collaborative Share

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Word Study



In grades K-2 our word study program is based on Foundations. Foundations is a systematic program in the foundational skills for reading and spelling. Each lesson consists of a variety of lesson activities that keep students engaged and learning.

What will my child learn?

- To identify sounds of letters
- To write letters correctly
- To segment and blend sounds in words
- To learn the explicit rules for phonics
- To read multisyllabic words
- To read and spell high frequency words correctly

1. *What does a lesson look like?*
2. *Letter/Sound Warm Up*
3. *Alphabetical order Practice*
4. *Handwriting Practice*
5. *Trick Word Practice*
6. *Word of the Day*

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Supporting Your Student



What can I do at home to support my child?

- Make reading a priority.
- Talk about books as a family.
- Read with your child everyday.
- Ask your child questions about their reading.
- Young readers can reread old favorites, they can also read the pictures and tell stories and nursery rhymes.
- Older readers can benefit from reading a series or books from the same author.

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Parent Resources



What resources can I use at home to support my child's learning?

PebbleGo	Read along audio books
Starfall	Phonics based reading games
Roy the Singing Zebra Word Games	Reading games and stories with Roy the Zebra
ABC Match	Interactive way to learn about language
Reading Bear	Online vocabulary and phonics resource
Picture Match	Identify consonants and vowels through a simple fun game
Puzzle Me Words	Fun, educational games for K-1 students that reinforces letter sounds
ABCya!	Grade level educational games