

# Welcome to First Grade!

Mrs. Spencer


Ms. Kline

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# Volunteer Information

- ◆ Families are required to complete 30 hours of volunteer service during the school year.
- ◆ This is a charter requirement and completion secures your child's spot at REA for the next school year.
- ◆ You must fill out the Volunteer Application online **PRIOR TO** volunteering on campus and/or around students.
  - ◆ The Volunteer Application is on the school's website. <https://www.readingedgeacademy.org/>
  - ◆ Please see the front office staff for more information / questions!
- ◆ There will be various volunteer opportunities throughout the school year!
  - ◆ Help is always needed in the cafeteria!
  - ◆ Please follow the  Reading Edge Academy PTA [Facebook](#) page for event information!






# Weekly Updates




- ◆ Look for a new paper in your child's **Take-Home Folder** every Monday!
- ◆ It outlines what the students will learn in each subject area.
- ◆ Our weekly **sight words** and **spelling words** will be listed on it.
- ◆ It lists ways that your student can practice the skills at home!
- ◆ Your student can always use **iStation** and **MobyMax** at home for extra practice (after initial assessments are completed – please wait until the teacher notifies you of this)!
- ◆ Practice at home is optional and not graded!
- ◆ It also lists any important information or reminders about upcoming events at the school.

## Weekly Update



Week of  
August 22<sup>nd</sup>



### WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Practice at Home

- Practice reading/spelling your sight words! Complete the "One Minute Read"!
- Practice adding and subtracting within 10.
- Practice recognizing and saying the sounds for the weekly letters! You can also practice writing them!

Important Information/Reminders


- There is NO SCHOOL on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>!
- Want to learn more about First Grade? Come to Curriculum Night Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 6:15 – 7:15pm!
- Wednesday is an early release day so we will dismiss one hour early!
- Please make sure that your student has a complete change of uniform in their backpack in case of an accident! Please make sure that your student brings a water bottle and snack to school daily!

### Sight Words

1. the
2. I
3. a
4. see
5. he

### Letters/Sounds

i, f, p, o, c, k, h,  
b, u, r, g



SCHOOL

Reading  
The students will practice recognizing beginning sounds and rhyming words. The students will practice concepts of print.

Writing  
The students will draw a picture and write about what they like to do at the beach.

Grammar  
The students will learn the proper way to write a sentence. The students will learn how to write with "5 Star Handwriting".

Math  
The students will practice solving addition and subtraction problems within 10. The students will practice solving word problems.

Science  
The students will discuss what science is and what a scientist does. The students will practice being scientists!

Social Studies  
The students will discuss rules/procedures. The students will practice good listening habits and constructive conversation habits.



# Field Trips



## I in the Fall/Winter

- ◇ Typically, we go to the Barberville Pioneer Settlement in **December** to attend their “**Old Fashioned Winter Holiday Traditions**” festival.
- ◇ The students will make candles, lace cards, make poinsettia bracelets, string popcorn, see Mr. and Mrs. Claus, and learn about holiday traditions around the world!

## I in the Spring

- ◇ This field trip varies from year to year.
- ◇ Previous locations have included:
  - ◇ Reptile Discovery Center
  - ◇ Big Red Pony Parties / Ranch and Rescue
  - ◇ Central Florida Zoo On-Site Field Trip

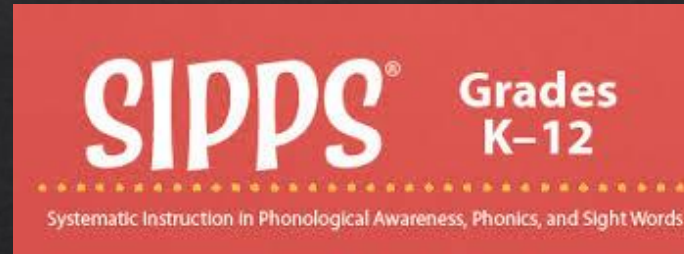
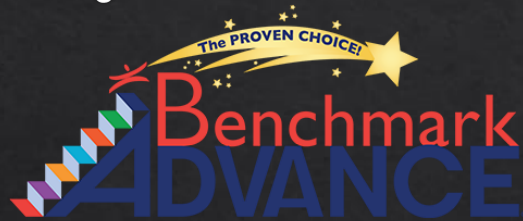
Permission slips will be sent home with plenty of notice!

Chaperone spaces are limited. Chaperones are chosen with a lottery system.

# ELA: Reading and Writing

We are using Florida's Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (BEST) standards!

We are using **Benchmark Advance** and **iStation** for our curriculum. The students will participate in the **SIPPS** program also.



5 Star Writing	
	Capital letter to start my sentence. → <b>I</b> see a dog.
	Punctuation to end my sentence. Where is the dog? ↘
	Use finger spaces. The dog is brown. ↑
	Use neat handwriting & phonemic spelling. 
	My sentence makes sense. 



## End of the Year Goals:

- ◆ DRA Level 18
- ◆ 186 SIPPS Extension Level Sight Words



# ELA Continued

## ELA Topics Include:

### ◆ Foundational Skills

- ◆ Print Concepts
- ◆ Phonological Awareness
- ◆ Phonics and Word Analysis
- ◆ Fluency



### ◆ Reading

- ◆ Literary Elements/ Theme
- ◆ Perspective and Point of View
- ◆ Poetry
- ◆ Reading Informational Text
- ◆ Reading Across Genres

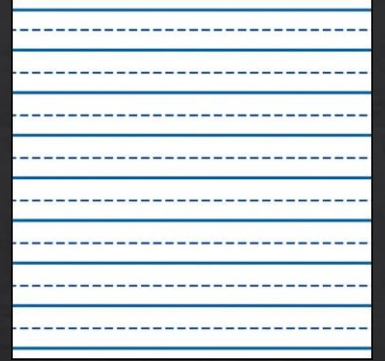


### ◆ Communication

- ◆ Handwriting and Improving Writing (editing)
- ◆ Narrative, argumentative, and expository writing
- ◆ Research, oral presentations, and collaborations
- ◆ Conventions

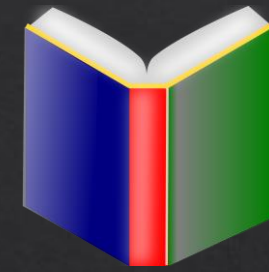
### ◆ Vocabulary

- ◆ Using grade-level academic vocabulary when writing and speaking
- ◆ Determining the meaning of unknown words using various strategies and cues





# Sight Words



## SIPPS Extension Sight Words - Rainbow Lists

The students are assessed as needed on the sight word list that they are on. Once the student has demonstrated mastery of all the words in one list, the student will be given the next word list to practice at home. The expectation is that all students will master every word list by the end of First Grade.

There are 186 words.

### Red

1. the
2. I
3. a
4. see
5. he
6. be
7. she
8. we
9. me
10. no
11. so
12. go
13. my
14. by
15. why
16. fly
17. under
18. are
19. little
20. some
21. come

### Orange

1. do
2. to
3. what
4. have
5. of
6. all
7. ball
8. call
9. small
10. from
11. here
12. you
13. want
14. for
15. put
16. out
17. our
18. day
19. way
20. play
21. your
22. like

### Yellow

1. saw
2. old
3. cold
4. gold
5. was
6. one
7. does
8. said
9. down
10. her
11. they
12. says
13. find
14. over
15. put
16. many
17. where
18. there
19. bird
20. goes
21. their
22. too

### Green

1. father
2. walk
3. talk
4. water
5. other
6. mother
7. brother
8. food
9. very
10. two
11. live (short i)
12. live (long i)
13. give
14. look
15. been
16. large
17. every
18. after
19. carry
20. again
21. both

### Blue

1. could
2. would
3. wild
4. child
5. children
6. friend
7. school
8. pull
9. full
10. watch
11. were
12. don't
13. won't
14. good
15. most
16. read
17. read
18. move
19. people
20. ready

### Purple

1. today
2. work
3. great
4. who
5. push
6. done
7. gone
8. few
9. sure
10. word
11. because
12. love
13. answer
14. nothing
15. once
16. ago
17. kind
18. mind
19. should
20. ever
21. never

### Pink

1. even
2. change
3. only
4. woman
5. women
6. toward
7. won
8. often
9. head
10. bread
11. four
12. beautiful
13. true
14. blue
15. Mr.
16. Mrs.
17. Ms.
18. miss
19. whole
20. whose
21. who's

### Brown

1. picture
2. eye
3. guess
4. busy
5. build
6. built
7. hour
8. buy
9. month
10. shoe
11. piece
12. money
13. key
14. door
15. floor
16. half
17. toe
18. eight
19. tie
20. pie
21. lie
22. young

### Gray

1. caught
2. climb
3. bought
4. brought
5. thought
6. learn
7. heard
8. earth
9. early
10. group
11. through
12. since
13. either
14. neither
15. heart
16. enough

## SIPPS Extension Sight Words

just mastered the

RED

Rainbow Words!



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_



## SIPPS Extension Words - Rainbow Color: ORANGE

do

to

what

have

of

all

ball

call

small

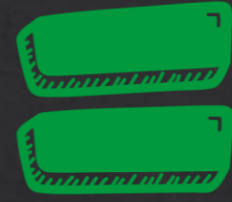
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# Mathematics



◆ We are using Florida's new Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (BEST) standards!

◆ The students will use MobyMax on the computer to practice mathematics!



## Math Topics Include:

### ◆ Number Sense and Operations

- ◆ Counting within 120 and skip counting by 2s to 20 and 5s to 100
- ◆ Reading, writing, and ordering numbers to 100
- ◆ Decomposing numbers into tens and ones
- ◆ Adding and subtracting within 100

◆ Fractions - Partitioning shapes into halves and fourths

### ◆ Algebraic Reasoning

- ◆ Solving problems with 3 addends
- ◆ Solving for missing addends and numbers

### ◆ Measurement

- ◆ Measuring objects to the nearest inch
- ◆ Comparing and ordering lengths
- ◆ Telling time to the hour and half-hour
- ◆ Identifying coins and their values

### ◆ Geometric Reasoning

- ◆ Exploring 2D and 3D shapes

### ◆ Data Analysis and Probability

- ◆ Creating and analyzing graphs using tally marks and pictures



# Social Studies

◆ Some social studies topics are built into our **Benchmark Advance** curriculum!

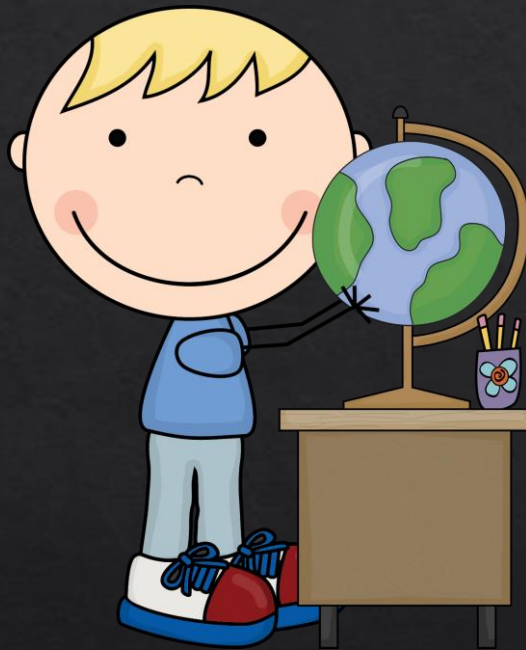
◆ Topics:

◆ **Civics and Government**

◆ **American History**

◆ **Geography**

◆ **Economics**



◆ The students can use **MobyMax** on the computer to practice social studies!





# Science



◆ Some science topics are built into our **Benchmark Advance** curriculum!

◆ Topics:

◆ **Introduction to Science**

◆ **Sky and Earth**

◆ **Earth's Surface**

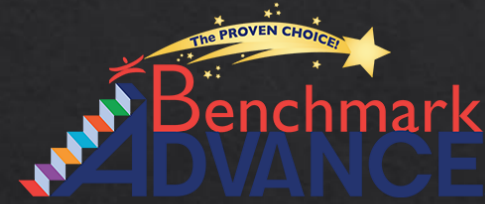
◆ **Matter and Movement**

◆ **Living Things**

◆ **Parent and Offspring**

◆ **Nature of Science and**

**Animal Enrichment**



◆ The students can use **MobyMax** on the computer to practice science!





# Assessments



## ELA

- ◆ Benchmark Advance phonics assessments
- ◆ iStation Computer-Based Assessments
- ◆ SIPPS Mastery Assessments
  - ◆ Sight Word Checks
- ◆ Periodic DRAs

- ◆ Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (**FAST**) Progress Monitoring will occur 3x (September, January, and May) during the school year.

**More information to come!**

- ◆ The students will complete teacher-created assessments in all subject areas!

## Mathematics

- ◆ MobyMax Computer-Based Assessments



Thank you for watching!

We are looking forward to having a  
great year in first grade!

