

# 5K CURRICULUM

## GRADE LEVEL CONTENT

### Literacy/Language Arts

To become good readers and writers, students in 5K need to master written and oral communication with an emphasis on reading, writing, speaking, listening and viewing.

The Deerfield Literacy Model is based on instruction targeting whole group and small group work. Students are exposed to sight words, comprehension skills and quality literature written at different levels for individual reading success.

### Writing

Writing is incorporated into our literacy model exposing students to various types of writing and self-expression.

### Handwriting

- Handwriting Without Tears program

### Spelling, Phonics and Grammar

Instruction in these areas is woven through all the elements of the Literacy Model.

### Homework Expectations for Literacy/Language Arts/Math

- Daily reading
- Practice high frequency words
- Monthly homework packet



### Science & Social Studies

Students in 5K will explore Science and Social Studies concepts through the Literacy curriculum theme units.

### Mathematics

Students in 5K will focus on mastery of these skills:

- Use numbers to help understand math
- Use addition and subtraction
- Number sense
- Place value
- Measurement and data
- Geometry

### Home/School Connections

Parents can stay connected to the classroom through:

- Email
- Phone calls
- Tuesday Newsday Folder
- Newsletters
- School/Classroom Website
- Parent/Teacher Conferences

## Media & Technology

During computer class, students in kindergarten will focus on basic technology skills. These include letter recognition on the keyboard, key functionality, parts of a computer, mouse skills, computer and internet navigation, logging in and out independently, basic word processing, introduction to computer coding, beginning research skills, and graphic design. Students also learn about internet safety and digital citizenship, as part of the district's K-12 curriculum.

## Art

Students in 5K will work on basic art skills such as cutting, painting, and gluing.

Students will explore their creative thinking, and begin to develop an understanding of the basic art concepts.

Curriculum includes learning the primary colors, shapes, and exploration of different art materials.

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## Music

Students in 5K will sing songs and play musical games, read and perform rhythmic symbols in 4/4 meter, relate musical selections to feelings, ideas or characters.

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## Physical Education

Students in 5K will be introduced to basic skills through games which include running, skipping, hopping, jumping, throwing, catching, striking, kicking and dribbling. Social awareness and good sportsmanship are emphasized in early development.

## Academic Progress & Assessments

Students in 5K take a variety of assessments throughout the school year to measure their academic knowledge and progress.

Some assessments are specific to the curriculum while others are standardized assessments intended to compare a student's progress with their grade level peers.

Assessments include:

- Unit Math-after each unit

### Standardized Tests

- PALS Testing-fall, winter, spring
- STAR Assessment



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## Importance of School Attendance

School attendance is both a right and a responsibility. The School District is an active partner with students and parents in the task of ensuring that all students meet or exceed the Wisconsin state learning standards.

Research continues to show that regular school attendance is directly related to positive student achievement and growth.

It is recognized that absence from school may be necessary under certain circumstances. Parents are encouraged to call in student absences followed with a written notice. However, in accordance with the Compulsory School Attendance laws, a student will be considered a habitual truant if he/she is "absent from school without an acceptable excuse for either of the following: part of five or more days in a semester or part or all of 10 or more days during the school year. "

*Today I will try my best to be*

*Honest...Helpful...Responsible...Respectful...and have a Positive Attitude*

