#### **JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN**

#### SENIOR KINDERGARTEN

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE

LITERACY

Reading and writing is taught through a workshop approach in which large and targeted small group instruction is utilized. Children are exposed to a variety of genres and authors throughout the year. Speaking, listening, word study (spelling), grammar and handwriting are an integral part of our students' literacy development. These skills are taught explicitly as well as integrated into the daily context of their reading and writing.

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Reading: alphabet recognition and letter-sound correspondence, recognition of environmental print, recognizing rhyme, making inferences and predictions about books read aloud, sequencing and retelling main events of a story or book

Writing: names, capital letters; label and explain illustrations, begin experimenting with inventive spelling

Speaking: perform for each other and families through poetry, songs, movement and story telling,show-and-tell

Listening:stories,conversations,groupdiscussions, songs, rhymes, poems; under standand interpret thespoken word

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Reading:ReadingWorkshopfocusesondeveloping identities and habits of readers, foundational skills, (concepts of print, phonemic awareness, phonics), and monitoring for understanding while reading fiction and non-fiction texts

Writing: Writing Workshop focuses on teaching  $that \, writers \, start \, with \, something \, to \, say \, and \, then \, do$ everythingtheycantoputthatmeaningontoapage (through pictures and words). Experiences consist of shared writing, interactive writing, independent writing and letter and number formation.

arounddevelopmentallyappropriatetopics, following agreed upon rules such as, listening to others and taking turns speaking about group's topic

Speaking: small and large group conversations

Listening: Students develop and practice "whole body listening" skills (look toward speaker, both ears ready to hear, wait for your turn to speak, quiet hands and feet).

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Reading: Consists of small and large group instruction, independent practice, student/teacher conferring, strategy groups, phonics and words tudyand interactive read alouds.

Units Include: Building Good Reading Habits, Fluency, Phonics and Comprehension, Reading Nonfiction

Writing: Consists of small and large group instruction, independent practice, student/ teacherconferring, strategy groups, shared writing, hand writing, mechanics and grammar instruction.

Units include: Writing Fiction Series, Writing with Focus, Detail, and Dialogue, Nonfiction Chapter Books, Writing Reviews, Story Element

Speaking: small and large group presentations, express and clarify ideas, ask questions and engage in social conversation, present at a lower school assembly

Listening: Students develop and practice "whole body listening" skills.

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Units: Caring for me and my Community, Peace, Art and Design

Research: Read and create books based on ongoing observations and accumulation of facts. Explore whatit means to become a peacemaker. Hands-on study and exploration of various artists, architects and artistic styles and traditions.

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Units: First Six Weeks of School (including Creating Safety and Belonging, Understanding You and Me, Building a Community); Celebrating Family Traditions, Peace.

 $Out reach: Making \, decorations \, for \, Inspiration \, Cafe$ in Uptown; welcoming elders from Little Brothers, Friends of the Elderly and students' families to sharetheir stories.

#### 1ST GRADE

Units: First Six Weeks/School Community, Personal Communities, Peace, Family Stories

Research: personal identity, family history

**MATHEMATICS** 

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Numbersandcounting, shapes and patterns, sorting objects by various attributes, introduction to numberstories, charts and measuring tools. Mathematical concepts and understanding will be explored throughintentional hands-on experiences.

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Sort, compare, and order sets; quantify and numbersets up to 100, with a particular emphasis on 10 (compose/decompose);see/tellnumberstoriesand create/solve early operation problems; identify, extend, create and name patterns; explore and compare shapes and their attributes; measure and compare objects using non-standard measurement tools; collect, represent and analyze data.

Numbers to 120; add and subtract within 20; intro to multiplication and division concepts; fractions with halves and fourths; time to the hour and halfhour; measuring with non-standard units and the conceptofaruler; basic 2D and 3D shapes; recognize coinsand their values and count a collection of coins.



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#### JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

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### SENIOR KINDERGARTEN

Topics of study: animal observations, force and motion, simple machines, the senses, density explorations, light explorations

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE

Topics of study: vertebrates and invertebrates, skeletal system, life cycles, properties of matter, rock cycle, sun, earth and moon system



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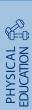
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#### SENIOR KINDERGARTEN Spanish: Students continue building their

language learning confidence and foundation of skills. Through music, movement and play-based activities the children expand their vocabulary andhometheir comprehension through topics such as greetings and good by es, introducing and describing one's self, family, and friends, and naming school activities. A second semester storytelling unit incorporates a review of the JK and SK topics and encourages students to demonstrate both receptiveand expressive language skills.

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Spanish:Studentsdevelopconversationallanguage skills by exploring the essential question: What are my routines... at school? ...in the home? ...and in my free time? Language goals include describing a typical school day, comparing morning and night routines, and exchanging information related to personal free time interests.



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Participation in age/developmentally appropriate games and activities that support gross motor development, body and special awareness.

#### SENIOR KINDERGARTEN-1ST GRADE Skill-building in games and sports begins with the premise that every child has athletic potential is to be

developed and celebrated. Physical education in the lower school emphasizes fine and gross motor skills through games, activities and sports that contribute to the growth, development and social attitudes of each student. The physical education program includes basic body management, skill development and improvement, visual-motor integration and spatial awareness. The program stresses civility and good sportsmanship for all. Low-level activities include golf, field hockey, soccer, floor hockey, bowling, scooter activities, tumbling, math games, yoga and Baggo. Multi-level activities include swimming, rock climbing and rope jumping. High-level activities include lacrosse, volley ball, soft ball, flag football, teeball, soft ball and a supplied by the property of the prracket sports. Physical education teachers will coach during free choice to help with fair play and game skills.



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In JK and SK, visual arts are integrated throughout the curriculum. The program in grades 1-4 familiarizes students with how art functions in different cultures and increases students' understanding of artists and how they use art to communicate about the world. Students learn about the elements and principles of art through a wide range of media and techniques.

### Unit: Art and Design Daily classroom art activities with a focus

JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

on process, where children participate in the exploration of art materials and media.

Projects: Self and family portraits; watercolor and tempera painting, eco-friendly art; JK art museum

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Regular participation in art activities and exploration of materials and media, including collage, construction, printmaking, painting and drawing; opportunities to reflect on process and discuss work with the group.

# Students develop fine motor skills and practice a

variety of lines, recognize shapes, learn the color wheel, explore texture, construct a balanced and stable three-dimensional form, model a form in clay, learn about a range of artists and styles from different cultures.



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LEARNING RESOURCES

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2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE

3RD GRADE

4TH GRADE

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independent and partner reading with leveled books. Writing: Writing Workshop, including units on narrative, informational, opinion, and poetry; largegroup and small group instruction, mechanics, grammar and handwriting instruction

Speaking: small and large group sharing, presentations of research and information learned; express ideas clearly, ask questions and engage in social conversation

Listening: read aloud comprehension, directions, discussion

3RD GRADE

Reading: Reading Workshop will consist of four major units, including habits of good readers, critical information altext skills, study of charactersand research clubs.

Writing: Writing Workshop will consist of four major units, including the habits of good writers, the art of informational writing, a unit on opinion/ argumentative pieces and fairy tale writing.

Speaking:Studentsareregularlygivenopportunities to collaborate with one another, share their writing aloud, read aloud, and use discourse to deep en their understanding of topics.

Listening: Because students are regularly given opportunities to collaborate and engage in discourse, they will also be using critical listening skills. We will lay the foundation for these skills in the morning meeting, as well, and monitor these in academic blocks

Reading: During Reading Workshop, students will  $read, write, discuss, be\,read\,to, work\,on\,vocabulary$ and comprehension and choose appropriate books.

Units include: Interpreting Characters; Obtaining Information from Non-fiction Texts; and Media Literacy/Social Justice

Writing: The Writing Workshop program provides opportunities for students to exercise writing skills that will support their ability to communicate ideas,thoughts and perspectives.

Units include: Writing Realistic Fiction; Informational Writing; and Media Literacy/ Social Justice. Grammar skills are honed at the beginning of the year and addressed in each writingunit. Cursive and keyboarding skills are practiced throughout the year.

Speaking: Students are regularly given opportunities to share their writing aloud and present in front of peers. Students also regularly read orally to aid in their reading fluency.

Listening: Students practice active listening skills in whole group and small group settings.

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Units: Getting to Know Our Classroom Community (The First Six Weeks), Getting to Know Ourselves and Each Other (Identity and Culture), Peace, **Our Fifty States** 

Research: State Research

Units: The First Six Weeks/Identity (Quarter 1), Chicago History (Quarter 2), Chicago Neighborhood Study (Quarter 3), Urban Planning (Quarter 4) Research: Chicago History, Chicago Neighborhoods Units: First Six Weeks: Community, Empathy, Respect (Unit 1); Identity: First in Family to Illinois, Heritage Objects, "I am" Poems" (Unit 2); Peace: Activism Brings Peace (Unit 3); Illinois: Geography, Transportation Hub, Illinois: Who was here first? (Unit 4)

Research: Use informational texts and literature to discuss issues that matter to the students, interviewing classmates using oral and digital formats (e.g., Seesaw).

Communication: Students practice engaging in respectful discussions and conversations. They learn ways to navigate difficult conversations usingaccountable language.

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2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE

Numbers to 1,000; add and subtract within 1,000 with re-grouping; multiplication and division with 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 (connecting repeated addition to multiplication);showingfractionswithhalves,thirds, fourths and eighths; time to the near est five minutes;measuringlengthin U.S. and metricunits; properties of 2D and 3D shapes; reading picture graphs, bar graphsandlineplots;solvewordproblemsinvolving dollar bills, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies, using \$ and ¢ symbols appropriately.

Numbers to 10,000; use place value to perform multi-digit addition and subtraction to 1,000; multiplication and division strategies within 100; extending basic facts to solve problems with 2-digit numbers with regrouping in both multiplication and division; basic understanding of fractions, especially unit fractions (fractions with numerator 1);rectangulararrays,area,andperimeter;describing and analyzing two-dimensional shapes; telling time to the nearest minute and elapsed time; measuring length to halves and fourths of an inch.

4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Numbers to 1 million; addition and subtraction within 1 million; multiplication and division facts 0-12; multiplying numbers up to 4-digits by a 1-digit number and multiplying two 2-digit by 2-digitnumbers and dividing up to 4-digit dividends and 1-digit divisors; fractions greater than 1 and mixed numbers; writing, comparing, and ordering decimals; using decimal notation for fractions with denominators 10 or 100; angles and classification of triangles and quadrilaterals; tables and data interpretation; solve multi-step word problems involving all four operations, including problems in which remainders must be interpreted.

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2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE

Topics of study: vertebrate classes, human body systems, trees, dinosaurs and fossils, electricity

3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE

Topics of study: rock and mineral observations, water cycle, force and motion, planets of our solar system, parachute design project

4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Topics of study: trees and tree identification, acids and bases, physical and chemical changes, oil spill project, indoor and outdoor egg drop

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Spanish: Students expand their conversational languages kills by exploring the essential question:"What is special about living in a big city?" Language goals are centered around learning aboutour own Chicago neighborhoods and using that information to broaden our understanding of other Spanish-speaking communities around the world.

4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Spanish: Students deepen their acquired language skills by exploring the essential question: "How can I use my Spanish to get to know someone and the world around me?" Language goals focus on sustaining a complex conversational exchange. In culmination of their language learning experiences, students use their skills to develop and present fictional group stories as a capstone project.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

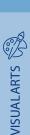
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Drawing from observation; design and paint a

landscapewithillusionisticdepth; useprintmaking tools to make a Day of the Dead print with Spanish titles; model and carve a relief terracotta clay tile; employ math skills to measure and divide space with a ruler; study Chicago public sculpture and architecture and create ceramic tiles in the style of Louis Sullivan.

4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Examine masterworks from the Art Institute collection; draw the figure in action; learn drawing techniques of contour, gesture, and sketching; employ a range of value in a self-portrait; mix tints and shades with acrylic paints on canvas; carve a linoleum block and make a Japanese print; fold origami cranes; practice Chinese calligraphy with a bamboo brush and ink and make a bamboo painting; use a compass to design an Indian manuscript for the Hindu god Ganesha; design Lunar New Year banners for a restaurant in Uptown; study the monuments of the Silk Road and model an Islamic eight-pointed star tile out of clay.



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