

## **CCPS Word Study**

Carroll County teachers are providing direct and explicit teaching about “how English works.” The goal is for students to learn word patterns and apply them in reading and writing.

We also teach high frequency words, which are common words that students should recognize on sight. Many early high frequency words cannot be sounded out. (examples – the, of, was) These words must be memorized.

What is word study?

Word Study is a combination of phonics, spelling, and vocabulary.

Why do we teach word study?

With direct teaching of word patterns, children learn to read and write words at a faster rate. This leads to greater reading growth, writing fluency, and vocabulary knowledge.

When students can identify smaller parts of words, they can use these parts to read, write and comprehend larger words