MISSION
AISL provides exceptional learning experiences within a global community where all voices count. We spark the inspiration in students to be the best version of themselves so that they can joyfully soar on their own gifts of learning, growing, leading, and contributing as world citizens.

VISION
Empowering our community of learners to create a just and sustainable world.

CORE VALUES
Respect
We are considerate of ourselves and others in order to foster an inclusive and equitable environment.

Empathy
We honor our diversity, treat one another with kindness, and demonstrate compassion through service.

Responsibility
We are accountable to ourselves, others, and our community.

Integrity
We act morally, tell the truth, and feel good about what we do.

Courage
We take on life's challenges with courage and are overactive in mind and spirit.
This elementary school program guide serves as an essential tool to provide our AISL Eagles and their families with clear and concise information about the organizational structure of the Elementary School and the key elements of the learning program that fosters intellectual, emotional, and social growth in each of our students.

Elementary School Overview

The AISL Elementary School is committed to helping all students in Kindergarten to Grade 5 to be the best versions of themselves so they can joyously soar on their own paths of learning, growing, leading, and contributing as world citizens. The Elementary School realizes this commitment by offering a modern, relevant, and culturally responsive curriculum with a strong academic foundation consisting of core subjects taught in a homeroom classroom and complemented by Specials classes as a means of addressing learning for the Whole Child.

As students move through the elementary school they will progress through six specific stages of learning designated by age-specific grade levels, Kindergarten to Grade 5. Each grade level is guided by a framework of standards for each subject-area that define end of year expectations. Each set of standards provides the skills and knowledge that will be part of the students’ learning focus across each year, throughout the elementary experience and on into middle school. Because we believe that a child’s emotional development is as important as their intellectual growth, a social emotional learning (SEL) program is guided by a core program supported by the elementary counselor and integrated into the subject-area curriculum by our homeroom and subject specialists. The Elementary School is a place intentionally designed to provide the foundational skills and dispositions that our younger students will need to be successful as they move through the various stages of their learning journey.

The following classes provide a well-rounded set of learning experiences within diverse subjects to all of our students.

Homeroom Core Subjects
All students in the Elementary School engage in the following subject areas taught in the homeroom class:

- English Language Arts: Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening, Research
- Social Studies
- Science
- Mathematics

World Languages
Students in the Elementary School have an opportunity to study one of the following World Languages:

- French
- Spanish

Specials Classes
Students in the Elementary School have the option to take one semester or one year elective courses in the following areas:

- Physical Education
- Performing Arts
- Visual Arts
**Student Support Services**

The Elementary School embraces diversity and is committed to supporting the learning needs of all students in order for them to successfully and equitably access learning within the AISL curriculum. Our Student Support Service Program provides additional intervention for students with learning needs related to language acquisition, English as an Additional Language (EAL), Social and Emotional Learning (counseling) and for those which require specific support through Learning Support (LS). Through an inclusive and nurturing educational environment, students are encouraged to become independent, lifelong learners in a global society.

**Afterschool Athletics & Activities**

The Elementary School has a vibrant co-curricular program designed to meet the passions, interests and needs of students. Each semester, Elementary School students have an opportunity to participate in a variety of after school activities, which include competitive sports, games, digital media, robotics, art, drama, and music.

**General Curriculum**

**English Language Arts**

The English program at AISL includes reading, writing, and word study. Learners also use oral and written language to make sense of the world, and to communicate, problem solve, and participate in decision-making. The AERO English Language Arts Standards drive the development of the key skills, strategies and understandings, so students can:

- Engage thoughtfully and critically with a wide variety of literary and informational media
- Make meaning, ask questions, and express ideas while listening, reading, and viewing
- Use language and literacy purposefully across a variety of authentic contexts to make connections, amplify experience, broaden perspective, design and share information for global communities, and reach audiences
- Communicate clearly and articulately through speaking, listening, writing, representing and presenting
- Develop proficiency with the tools of technology
- Build relationships with others to pose and solve problems collaboratively and cross-culturally
- Manage, analyze, and synthesize multiple streams of simultaneous information

The literacy units below integrate relevant math, social studies and science standards where possible to ensure a rich and meaningful learning experience for our students.
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| **Kindergarten** | • Unit 1: We are Readers  
• Unit 2: Super Powers  
• Unit 3: Bigger books, Bigger Reading Muscles  
• Unit 4: Becoming Avid Readers | • Unit 1: Launching the Writing Workshop  
• Unit 2: Writing for Readers  
• Unit 3: How-To Books  
• Unit 4: Persuasive Writing of all Kinds. |
| **Grade 1** | • Unit 1: Building Good Reading Habits  
• Unit 2: Readers Have Big Jobs to do  
• Unit 3: Learning About the World  
• Unit 4: Meeting Characters and Learning Lessons | • Unit 1: Small Moments (Personal Narratives)  
• Unit 2: Writing Opinion and Reviews Nonfiction Chapter books  
• Unit 3: Narratives/ Fiction Writing |
| **Grade 2** | • Unit 1: Reading Growth Spurt  
• Unit 2: Becoming Experts (NF)  
• Unit 3: Book Clubs (NF or F)  
• Unit 4: If Then: NF Topics  
• Unit 5: Amping Up | • Unit 1: Revving Up Unit  
• Unit 2: Lessons from the Masters  
• Unit 3: IfThen... Informational Writing  
• Unit 4: Opinion Writing: Writing about Reading  
• Unit 5: Poetry: Big Thoughts in Small Packages |
| **Grade 3** | • Unit 1: Building a Reading Life  
• Unit 2: Reading to Learn  
• Unit 3: If...Then - Social Justice Book Clubs  
• Unit 4: Little Things Are Big: Poetry Reading  
• Unit 5: Research Clubs | • Unit 1: Crafting True Stories  
• Unit 2: Art of Info Writing  
• Unit 3: Changing the World  
• Unit 4: Poetry: Writing, Thinking, and Seeing More  
• Unit 5: Writing About Research |
| **Grade 4** | • Unit 1: Interpreting Characters  
• Unit 2: Reading the Weather, Reading the World  
• Unit 3: Reading History  
• Unit 4: Historical Fiction Clubs | • Unit 1: UtL: Information Writing  
• Unit 2: Arc of Story  
• Unit 3: Boxes and Bullets  
• Unit 4: The Literary Essay |
| **Grade 5** | • Unit 1: Interpretation Book Clubs: Analyzing Themes  
• Unit 2: Tackling Complexity: Moving Up Levels of Nonfiction  
• Unit 3: Argument and Advocacy: Researching Debatable Issues | • Unit 1: Narrative Draft  
• Unit 2: The Lens of History: Research Reports  
• Unit 3: Shaping Texts: From Essay and Narrative to Memoir  
• Unit 4: The Research-Based Argument Essay |
In addition, students engage in **Word Study** which is an important component of a balanced literacy program. During these sessions they learn about the structures and meanings of words through vocabulary instruction, phonological awareness, phonics, and decoding.

### Social Studies

The AISL Social Studies program provides diverse, authentic and transferable opportunities for our Eagles to develop important skills and understandings to better comprehend the historical and current nature of the world as well as their role as global citizens of a culturally diverse, equitable, inclusive and just society in an interdependent world who can make a positive difference.

The AERO Social Studies Curriculum Standards drive the development of the key skills and understandings through eight distinct concepts: Time, Continuity and Change, Connections and Conflict, Geography, Culture, Society and Identity, Government, Production, Distribution and Consumption, and Science, Technology and Society. Through intentionally-designed units of study, learners are able to:

- engage in inquiry and conduct research
- draw evidence-based conclusions
- critically and creatively apply knowledge and concepts to solve complex, authentic, ‘wicked’ problems now and in the future

The social studies units below integrate key literacy, math, and where relevant, science standards to ensure a rich and meaningful learning experience for our students.

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| **Kindergarten** | • Unit 1: Our Class and School Community  
                  • Unit 2: Celebrations |
| **Grade 1** | • Unit 1: Family Stories Past and Present  
                      • Unit 2: Family Economic Choices |
| **Grade 2** | • Unit 1: A Changing Earth/Me on the Map Integrated Unit  
                      • Unit 2: Local/Global Products |
| **Grade 3** | • Unit 1: Identity, Rights & Responsibilities: Designing a More Accepting World  
                      • Unit 2: Refugee Journeys: Designing a More Inclusive World |
| **Grade 4** | • Unit 1: Nigerian Culture  
                      • Unit 2: Nigerian Government |
| **Grade 5** | • Unit 1: Economy: Imports, Exports, and World Trade  
                      • Unit 2: Social Justice & Government |
Science

The AISL Science program is driven by the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) with attention paid to the three dimensions of learning: the fundamental science and engineering practices, developing knowledge of the cross-cutting concepts that are foundational to science disciplines and disciplinary core ideas.

With the scientific inquiry cycle at the heart, learning is student-driven, hands-on and is centered around ‘phenomena’ that spark students’ curiosity and wonder. Students will ask questions, construct explanations, plan and carry out investigations and engage in arguments from evidence, and apply and transfer their understanding through authentic, performance-based tasks and assessments. For engineering, the students explore real-life problems and take action through investigating, testing and iterative designing. Other fundamental practices developed through the curriculum include:

- developing and using models,
- using mathematical and computational thinking,
- data collecting, interpreting and analyzing
- obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information.

The science units below integrate key literacy, math and social studies standards, where relevant, to ensure a rich and meaningful learning experience for students.

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<td>● Unit 1: Spinning Sky: Patterns and Cycles&lt;br&gt; ● Unit 2: Light and Sound&lt;br&gt; ● Unit 3: Mimicking Plants and Animal Structures</td>
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<td>● Unit 1: A Changing Earth / Me on the Map Integrated Unit&lt;br&gt; ● Unit 2: Biodiversity and Ecosystems&lt;br&gt; ● Unit 3: Matter Matters (Inventions)</td>
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<td>Grade 3</td>
<td>● Unit 1: Designing a More Functional World: Forces and Interactions&lt;br&gt; ● Unit 2: Designing a Safer World: Weather and Climate&lt;br&gt; ● Unit 3: Ecosystem Change&lt;br&gt; ● Unit 4: Life Cycles and Traits</td>
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<td>Grade 4</td>
<td>● Unit 1: Physical Science: Energy&lt;br&gt; ● Unit 2: Earth &amp; Space Science</td>
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<td>Grade 5</td>
<td>● Unit 1: Physical Science - Matter: Structures and Properties&lt;br&gt; ● Unit 2: Earth Science - Earth:Systems and Interactions</td>
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Mathematics
The AISL Mathematics program is driven by the AERO Mathematics Standards which places emphasis on the conceptual underpinnings of mathematics as part of developing a deep understanding of mathematical strands rather than solely arithmetic. Mathematical understanding involves students:

- engaging in relevant, authentic, rich tasks that invite inquiry and investigation
- posing questions to identify and solve problems using a variety of tools and strategies
- using math practices to solve problems and justify answers
- strengthening and employing fluency of procedural skills (operations, tools, strategies)
- discovering multiple methods for seeking solutions
- developing critical, creative, logical and computational thinking
- communicating mathematical ideas with accuracy, precision and clarity

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| **Kindergarten** | - Unit 1: Numbers to 5 & 10  
- Unit 2: Numbers to 10  
- Unit 3: Bikes & bugs; Double, Add and Subtract  
- Unit 4: Paths to Adding, Subtracting & Measuring  
- Unit 5: Two-dimensional Geometry  
- Unit 6: Three-Dimensional Shapes & Numbers Beyond 10  
- Unit 7: Weight & Place-Value |
| **Grade 1** | - Unit 1: Numbers All Around Us  
- Unit 2: Developing Strategies with Dice & Dominoes  
- Unit 3: Adding, Subtracting, Counting & Comparing  
- Unit 4: Leapfrogs on the Number Line  
- Unit 5: Geometry  
- Unit 6: Figure the Facts with Penguins  
- Unit 7: One Hundred & Beyond |
| **Grade 2** | - Unit 1: Figure the Facts  
- Unit 2: Place Value & Measurement with Jack’s Beanstalk  
- Unit 3: Addition & Subtraction within 100  
- Unit 4: Measurement  
- Unit 5: Place Value up to 1,000  
- Unit 6: Hungry Ants  
- Unit 7: Geometry  
- Unit 8: Measurement, Data and Multi-digit Computation with Marble Rolls |
| **Grade 3** | - Unit 1: Addition & Subtraction Patterns  
- Unit 2: Introduction to Multiplication  
- Unit 3: Multi-digit Addition and Subtraction  
- Unit 4: Measurement and Fractions  
- Unit 5: Multiplication, Division, and Area  
- Unit 6: Extending Multiplication and Fractions  
- Unit 7: Geometry |
| **Grade 4** | - Unit 1: Multiplicative Thinking  
- Unit 2: Multi-Digit Multiplication & Early Division  
- Unit 3: Fractions & Decimals  
- Unit 4: Addition, Subtraction, & Measurement  
- Unit 5: Geometry & Measurement |
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<td>• Unit 7: Reviewing &amp; Extending Fractions, Decimals &amp; Multi-Digit Multiplication</td>
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| Grade 5     | • Unit 1: Expressions, Equations & Volume                                   |
|             | • Unit 2: Adding & Subtracting Fractions                                    |
|             | • Unit 3: Place Value & Decimals                                            |
|             | • Unit 4: Multiplying & Dividing Whole Numbers & Decimals                   |
|             | • Unit 5: Multiplying & Dividing Fractions                                  |
|             | • Unit 6: Graphing, Geometry & Volume                                       |
|             | • Unit 7: Division & Decimals                                               |

### Physical Education

Learning in physical education is driven by the [National Physical Education Standards (SHAPE)](https://example.com), which focus on leading students to:

- establish habits for good health,
- develop fundamental and advanced motor skills
- improve self-confidence
- increase levels of physical fitness that are associated with high academic achievement.

Additionally, it encourages Eagles to develop personal and social behaviors, including self-management, sportsmanship, problem-solving, safety and communication skills that encourage respect for self and others. Similarly, the patterns of physical activity acquired during childhood and adolescence are likely to be maintained throughout our graduates’ lifespan, providing physical, mental, self-expression and social benefits.

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<td>Grade 5</td>
<td>• Unit 1: Basketball( dribbling, passing, shooting)</td>
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<td>• Unit 2: Soccer (Shooting, kicking, dribbling, throwing, juggling)</td>
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<td>• Unit 3: American Football (passing, receiving ,defense, offense)</td>
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<td>• Unit 4: Ultimate Frisbee.</td>
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<td>• Unit 6: Softball.</td>
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<td>• Unit 10: Gymnastics.</td>
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<td>• Unit 11: Rope Jumping.</td>
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<td>• Unit 13: Floor Hockey.</td>
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| **Kindergarten** | Unit 1: Intro to Performing Arts  
Unit 2: Acting Out Emotions and Feelings  
Unit 3: Moving Stories  
Unit 4: Mantle of the Expert  
Unit 5: Stories from around the world and creating our own stories |
| **Grade 1** | Unit 1: Intro to Performing Arts  
Unit 2: Static Storytelling: Statues & Freeze Frames  
Unit 3: Puppetry  
Unit 4: Global Folktale Theatre  
Unit 5: Performance and Reflection |
| **Grade 2** | Unit 1: Intro to Performing Arts  
Unit 2: Tableau: Freeze Frame - Storytelling in Frozen Pictures  
Unit 3: Mime  
Unit 4: Fractured Fairytale Theatre  
Unit 5: Poetry in Performance |
| **Grade 3** | Unit 1: Intro to Performing Arts  
Unit 2: Story Structure  
Unit 3: Shadow Puppets  
Unit 4: Stage Directions - Understanding Perspective  
Unit 5: Lights, Camera, Action – A Documentary Filmmaking  
Unit 6: Exploring Ancient Greek Theatre – 8 wks |
| **Grade 4** | Unit 1: Intro to Performing Arts  
Unit 2: Creating Characters  
Unit 3: Intro to Commedia dell’ arte (Physical Comedy)  
Unit 4: Improvisation: Yes And...  
Unit 5: Melodrama  
Unit 6: Choice: Green Screen Film Project or Class Play |
| **Grade 5** | Unit 1: Intro to Performing Arts  
Unit 2: Mime & Silent Film  
Unit 3: Dramatic Conventions and Telenovelas  
Unit 4: Intro to Bunraku Puppetry  
Unit 5: Devise Your Own Play Based on Average Life of a 5th Grader or a Story of Their Choice |


**Visual Arts**

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| **Kindergarten** | Unit 1: Drawing: A Bug’s Life “Insects and Environments”  
Unit 2: Painting: Kandinsky “Non Objective” and “Centric Circles”  
Unit 3: Printmaking: Monoprints “Beautiful Black Bird”  
Unit 4: Ceramics: Slab “Animal Tiles”  
Unit 5: Collage: Henri Matisse “Paper Cut Outs”  
Unit 6: Fiber Arts: Faith Ringgold “Story Quilts” |
| **Grade 1** | Unit 1: Drawing: Romero Britto “Pattern Pets”  
Unit 2: Painting: “Nature Color Bleed Silhouette”  
Unit 3: Printmaking: Monoprint, Collograph, Relief  
Unit 4: Ceramics: Slab “Flower Tiles”  
Unit 5: Sculpture/3-Dimensional  
Unit 6: Collage: Karen Lederer “Watercolor Coral Collage”  
Unit 7: Fiber Arts: Weaving, Sewing, Beading |
| **Grade 2** | Unit 1: Drawing: Media and Techniques  
Unit 2: Painting: Media, Application, Color Theory  
Unit 3: Printmaking: Monoprint, Collograph, Relief  
Unit 4: Ceramics: Slab “Ceramic Adobe Homes”  
Unit 5: Sculpture/3-Dimensional  
Unit 6: Collage: Mixed Media, Themes, Ideation, Manipulation  
Unit 7: Fiber Arts: “Woven Board Games” Weaving Functional Art |
| **Grade 3** | Unit 1: Drawing: Media and Techniques  
Unit 2: Painting: Media, Application, Color Theory  
Unit 3: Printmaking: Monoprint, Collograph, Relief  
Unit 4: Ceramics: Hand-building, Tile/Coils, Functional Object  
Unit 5: Sculpture/3-Dimensional  
Unit 6: Collage: Mixed Media, Themes, Ideation, Manipulation  
Unit 7: Fiber Arts: Weaving, Sewing, Beading |
| **Grade 4** | Unit 1: Drawing: Media and Techniques  
Unit 2: Painting: Media, Application, Color Theory  
Unit 3: Printmaking: Monoprint, Collograph, Relief  
Unit 4: Ceramics: Hand-building, Tile/Coils, Functional Object  
Unit 5: Sculpture/3-Dimensional  
Unit 6: Collage: Mixed Media, Themes, Ideation, Manipulation |
### Art Curriculum

| Grade 5 | Unit 1: Drawing: Media and Techniques  
Unit 2: Painting: Media, Application, Color Theory  
Unit 3: Printmaking: Monoprint, Collograph, Relief  
Unit 4: Ceramics: Hand-building, Tile/Coils, Functional Object  
Unit 5: Sculpture/3-Dimensional  
Unit 6: Collage: Mixed Media, Themes, Ideation, Manipulation  
Unit 7: Fiber Arts: Weaving, Sewing, Beading |

*During 2023-24 our new ES Art Teacher will develop some new units.*

### World Language

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Unit 2: Ma famille et les adjectifs My Family and adjectives  
Unit 3: Ma Salle de Classe - My classroom  
Unit 4: J'aime/Je n'aime pas - My Preferences (activities and food)  
Unit 5: Le corps - My Body  
Unit 6: Moi All About Me (PBL) |
| **Grade 1** | Unit 1: Salut, C'est moi! - Hello, It's me  
Unit 2: J'apprends...!!! - I learn  
Unit 3: C'est Noël!! - It's Christmas  
Unit 4: C'est ma fête! - It's my party  
Unit 5: J'aime bien manger!!! - I like to eat well! |
| **Grade 2** | Unit 1: Bonjour - Hello  
Unit 2: L'école - School  
Unit 3: La famille et Les Fêtes Culturelles (Family, cultural celebrations)  
Unit 4: En forme - In good shape  
Unit 5: Bon appétit - Food  
Unit 6: Revision and culminating activities |
| **Grade 3** | Unit 1: Mon école - My school  
Unit 2: Ma famille et moi - My family and I  
Unit 3: Ma ville - My City  
Unit 4: Mes Animaux - My animals  
Unit 5: Mes Loisirs - My Hobbies -  
Unit 6: En vacances - On vacation  
Mon portfolio français - My French Portfolio |
| **Grade 4** | Unit 1: Vive le français -  
Unit 2: Mes préférences, mes goûts et mes activités (My preferences, tastes and activities)  
Unit 3: Au collège - At school  
Unit 4: Ma Famille - My Family  
Unit 5: Les sports et nos activités sportives. - Sport and Sporting Activities |
| **Grade 5** | Unit 1: Ma sortie en ville - My outing in Town  
Unit 2: J'adore manger de tout - I love to eat all  
Unit 3: Je suis, tu es, nous sommes qui nous sommes - I am, you are... we are who we are. |
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Through the development of linguistic and cultural literacy, students expand their communication skills, broaden their world views, and further develop as empathetic global citizens who can confidently and compassionately interact within diverse contexts. In addition, language awareness gained in learning additional languages improves understanding of language in general, including one’s own mother/heritage language.

The integration of these goal areas ensure that students are prepared to apply the skills and understandings of their language learning beyond the instructional setting to bring a global competence and mindset to their future careers and experiences and inevitably contribute to the global community.

Learning a world language has the power to foster an understanding of the interrelation of language, culture and human nature. At the most basic level, it teaches and encourages respect for other peoples by expanding one's view of the world, liberalizing one's experiences, and inviting more flexibility and tolerance. At AISL, the ACTL World Language Standards provide the skills and understandings for students to:

- Communicate ideas through spoken language, in writing and through presentation.
- Comprehend spoken language and written texts
- Communicates with cultural competence regarding cultural artifacts, practices and beliefs of the language.

Curriculum Focus by Grade

Learning an additional world language leads students through distinct proficiency levels - novice, intermediate, advanced - as they acquire the skills and knowledge. In the elementary school, learning is structured around the developmental needs of the learners as noted by the grade level curriculum focus below.

Kindergarten
The program in Kindergarten focuses on the beginning phases of language acquisition by:
- immersing learners in listening to the language
- developing familiarity with sounds, common phrases, basic vocabulary through visual, auditory, and kinesthetic activities
- engaging in cultural activities to promote curiosity, awareness, respect, and tolerance

1st Grade
The Grade 1 program builds on students’ prior experiences in kindergarten and focuses on:
- communicating using the basic foundation of the language
- building vocabulary, grammar and comprehension through games, songs, and interactive activities
- using the language within contexts that involve reading, writing, speaking and listening
- engaging cultural activities to promote curiosity, awareness, respect, and tolerance

2nd Grade
The Grade 2 program builds on students’ prior experiences in the language, while also differentiating for those new to the language, and focuses on:

- communicating using the basic foundation of the language with developing confidence
- continuing to build and reinforce vocabulary, grammar and comprehension through games, songs, and interactive activities
- participating in various contexts that involve reading, writing, speaking and listening
- engaging in cultural activities to promote curiosity, awareness, respect, and tolerance

3rd Grade
The Grade 3 program continues to build on students’ prior experiences while also differentiating for those new to the language, and focuses on:

- speaking, listening, reading and writing confidently within the context of the basic rules of grammar and vocabulary linked to units and personal interests
- making interdisciplinary connections to develop and reinforce language skills
- writing more complex sentences about diverse topics
- engaging in cultural activities to promote curiosity, awareness, respect, and tolerance

4th Grade
The Grade 4 program draws on students’ existing knowledge and personal experiences within the target language with a focus on:

- expanding development of gender-specific nouns and verb conjugation
- expressing ideas, both spoken and written, using more complex sentence structures about diverse topics
- making interdisciplinary connections to develop and reinforce language skills and knowledge
- discovering the cultural and geographical contexts of other countries that speak the target language

5th Grade
The students are encouraged to:

- use the target language to communicate with more complex vocabulary and grammar structures
- improve the accuracy of written and oral productions, including spelling, accent use, and accurate pronunciation
- expand knowledge base of cultural norms and comparing across cultures.

External Assessment of Proficiency

In order to further enhance the proficiency of our students in French and Spanish, an external assessment is administered twice each year. The ACTFL Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages (AAPPL) is an assessment of standards-based language learning across the three modes of communication (Interpersonal, Presentational, and Interpretive) as defined by the National Standards for Foreign Language Learning. The AAPPL assesses Interpersonal Listening/Speaking, Presentational Writing, Interpretive Reading, and Interpretive Listening, and ratings are assigned according to the ACTFL Performance Descriptors for Language Learners. Teachers review the results of these assessments to design instruction as well as for placement in language courses in the high school.

Social and Emotional Learning
The AISL Social and Emotional Learning program ‘Second Step’ promotes positive, inclusive culture through developing social-emotional competencies, which include perspective-taking, empathy, processing emotions, understanding and resolving conflicts, and building positive relationships. Homeroom teachers deliver weekly, age appropriate lessons which equip students to manage their emotions and to build healthy relationships. In addition, the ES Counselor delivers a series of short lessons spread across the year to teach students how they can recognize, refuse, and report abuse.

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| Kindergarten| Unit 1: Growth Mindset & Goal-Setting  
               Unit 2: Emotion Management  
               Unit 3: Empathy & Kindness  
               Unit 4: Problem Solving |
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| Grade 5     | Unit 1: Growth Mindset & Goal-Setting  
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               Unit 4: Problem Solving |

**Library**

The AISL Library program

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| Kindergarten| Unit 1: Experience quality literature in many formats and genres including fiction, nonfiction, humor, Caldecott Award books and ebooks  
               Unit 2: Continue learning library procedures and organization  
               Unit 3: Participate by hearing, viewing, and responding to discussions  
               Unit 4: Begin to distinguish between fiction and nonfiction and their locations in the library  
               Unit 5: Begin to learn to select books independently  
               Unit 6: Use PebbleGo to learn beginner research skills |
| Grade 1 | Unit 1: Experience quality literature in many formats and genres including fiction through author studies, ebooks, poetry, expository nonfiction and narrative nonfiction  
Unit 2: Hear, view, respond and discuss different literary works  
Unit 3: Demonstrate a growing understanding of locating and selecting “just right” books for personal enjoyment and information  
Unit 4: Begin to learn about the research process, including print and non-print sources  
Unit 5: Begin to use AISL on-line databases to expand venue of resources which are available at school and at home |
| Grade 2 | Unit 1: Learn to use information tools to find answers to research questions  
Unit 2: Learn basic note-taking strategies  
Unit 3: Learn to use information effectively and simple citations  
Unit 4: Begin independent use of district online databases to expand their venue of resources  
Unit 5: Experience quality literature in many formats and genres including fairy tales and folktales  
Unit 6: Continue to develop skills to find “just right” books and start exploring library materials through genres and authors  
Unit 7: Find materials using the online library catalog |
| Grade 3 | Unit 1: Visit the library independently to select books using the library’s online catalog (including ebooks)  
Unit 2: Curriculum-based lessons to continue using information effectively and basic citation skills  
Unit 3: Continue to locate “just right” books for personal enjoyment and information  
Unit 4: Continue exploring district online databases: Encyclopedia Britannica, BrainPop, Webpath Express, PebbleGo |
| Grade 4 | Unit 1: Visit the library independently to select books using the library’s online catalog (including ebooks) for personal enjoyment and information  
Unit 2: Curriculum-based lessons on conducting research by identifying information needs, locating and evaluating appropriate print and nonprint materials, and selecting and using relevant information in an ethical manner  
Unit 3: Lesson on plagiarism  
Unit 4: Continue basic citation rules  
Unit 5: Independently navigate district online databases: Encyclopedia Britannica, BrainPop, Webpath Express |
| Grade 5 | Unit 1: Visit the library independently to select books using the library’s online catalog (including ebooks) for personal enjoyment and information  
Unit 2: Lessons on website evaluation and internet safety  
Unit 3: Curriculum-based lessons for research purposes to identify information needs, locate and evaluate appropriate print and nonprint materials, and using relevant information in an ethical manner by reviewing plagiarism  
Unit 4: Create basic reference page  
Unit 5: Independently navigate district online databases: Encyclopedia Britannica, BrainPop, Webpath Express |