

Baldwin County Elementary Curriculum Resources

3rd Grade

District-supported curriculum programs and materials are outlined below. The shaded materials are the adopted, core instructional materials and are *non-negotiable*.

Program	Description
AMSTI Science	<p>AMSTI, formally the Alabama Math, Science, and Technology Initiative, is the Alabama Department of Education’s initiative to improve STEM teaching statewide, including improvements in the individual, as well as the integrated, STEM subjects. AMSTI supports educators and students in learning STEM through doing STEM by providing teaching material, professional learning, resources, and onsite support.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Classrooms of participating teachers on each campus</p>
Best Friends Series	<p>The Best Friends Series provides guidelines, lessons, and resources for making every read-aloud experience intentional and instructional to engage students in deep thinking about fiction and nonfiction books. Students are exposed to a small, carefully curated collection that you repeatedly turn to for specific teaching purposes.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Local Reading Specialists room/storage on each campus</p>
BrainPop/ BrainPop Jr.	<p>BrainPop offers engaging animated videos, games, activities, and instructional resources aligned to various content standards.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>
Bridges Math Intervention	<p>Bridges Intervention provides targeted instruction and assessment for essential K–5 mathematics skills within a tiered system of support. The small-group instruction and ongoing progress monitoring are intended to complement regular math instruction. Students work with models that spur thinking and build confidence—starting with manipulatives, moving to two-dimensional representations and then mental images. Each focused, 30-minute session is matched to student needs.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Stored on each campus (locations vary)</p>

<p>Comprehension Club</p>	<p>Comprehension Clubs are a collection of more than fifty age-appropriate books per grade level organized around six thematic strands. Every day students read – in a whole group Interactive Read Aloud and in small group Book Clubs – and talk, think and write about books.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Local Reading Specialists room on each campus</p>
<p>Comprehension Toolkit</p>	<p>Comprehension Toolkit series guides students to understand, respond to, and learn from nonfiction text. It includes ready-to-teach lessons for reading comprehension and supports teachers in designing their own comprehension strategy lessons to develop independent readers and learners across any content or curriculum.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Local Reading Specialists room on each campus</p>
<p>Daily Math Fluency Center Kit</p>	<p>Daily Math Fluency Center Kits provides center activities and materials to reinforce and support students’ skill and mathematical strategy mastery.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Classrooms of every teacher responsible for teaching Math on each campus</p>
<p>Daily Math Fluency Kit</p>	<p>Daily Math Fluency Kits teach and reinforce strategies that increase students’ number sense, ability to think flexibly about numbers, and build a strong foundation of mathematical reasoning for future math success.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Classrooms of every teacher responsible for teaching Math on each campus</p>
<p>Daily Math Fluency Intervention Kit</p>	<p>Daily Math Fluency Intervention Kits provide targeted instruction through the use of Math Talks and Number Strings to build numeracy skills in students who are struggling with core number concepts.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Storage locations vary by campus as materials are available on an as needed basis for checkout by teachers</p>
<p>Deep Space Sparkle</p>	<p>Deep Space Sparkle is an online site offering elementary art lesson plans and teaching resources.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Elementary Art teachers only have access to the site, https://www.deepspacesparkle.com/</p>

<p>Discovery Education</p>	<p>Discovery Education is a standards-based digital curriculum resource for K–12 classrooms. The program provides teachers and students access to digital content, such as videos and images, as well as text resources. The district uses the program primarily to support Science instruction, but teachers have the autonomy to use the program to support other content areas, as well.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>
<p>Do the Math</p>	<p>Do the Math is a research-based math intervention program designed to support students who are struggling with elementary arithmetic. With an emphasis on Number and Operations, the program helps students build a strong foundation in computation, number sense, and problem solving for immediate and long-term learning.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Classrooms of every teacher responsible for teaching Math on each campus</p>
<p>Edge</p>	<p>Edge is a reading curriculum designed to support struggling readers. Scholastic Edge features high-interest, age-appropriate books to meet students where they are. Helpful text features like glossaries, labels, and more, provide necessary scaffolding and context for striving readers.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Local Reading Specialists room on each campus</p>
<p>enVision Math</p>	<p>enVision Math is the main K-6th Math curriculum. The comprehensive program combines problem-based learning and visual learning to deepen students’ conceptual understanding.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Classrooms of every teacher responsible for teaching Math on each campus</p>
<p>Freckle</p>	<p>Freckle helps teachers differentiate instruction to reach every student at their own level across Math, ELA, Social Studies, and Science. Students are always engaged and challenged, never facing material that is too difficult or too easy for them.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>
<p>Gizmos</p>	<p>Gizmos provides online simulations and tools for Math and Science for students in 3rd-6th grade.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>

<p>Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Curriculum</p>	<p>Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Curriculum provides 35 weeks of daily lessons, focusing on eight phonemic awareness skills, along with two additional activities to develop letter and sound recognition, and language awareness. Lessons are designed for a classroom setting, and only take 10-12 minutes.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Local Reading Specialists room/storage on each campus</p>
<p>myON News</p>	<p>myON News provides students with age appropriate news articles. Students learn about the world around them as they develop stronger digital and media literacy skills.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>
<p>myON Reader</p>	<p>myON Reader gives students access to thousands of enhanced digital titles—fiction, nonfiction, graphic novels, and more—at a wide range of reading levels, in English and Spanish.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>
<p>NSGRA Kits</p>	<p>NSGRA Kits, or Next Step in Guided Reading Assessment Kits, help teachers identify students reading levels and identify what instructional goals to focus on next. The assessments include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading interest survey • Word knowledge inventory to determine appropriate word study instruction • Comprehension assessment to determine comprehension needs • Reading assessment conferences to obtain precise data on phonics, word recognition, fluency, and comprehension to determine instructional levels and identify skills and strategies to target during guided-reading lessons <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Local Reading Specialists room/storage on each campus</p>
<p>Open Court</p>	<p>Open Court Reading (OCR) is a research-based curriculum for grades K–5 that helps students develop reading, writing, and language arts skills. The program is based on learning theory and cognitive science, also known as the Science of Reading, and uses a systematic approach to teaching. OCR is designed to help students become strong readers, writers, and thinkers, and to prepare them for a lifetime of literacy and learning.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Classrooms of every teacher responsible for teaching Reading/English Language Arts on each campus; Includes resources online, available through the student portal</p>

<p>Phonics First</p>	<p>Phonics First is a multisensory, systematic, structured, phonics-based, direct-instruction approach that emphasizes a balance of reading and spelling for mastery of phonetic and non-phonetic words. Lessons also include structured syllabication study for decoding mastery of multisyllabic words.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Local Reading Specialists room/storage on each campus</p>
<p>Quaver Music</p>	<p>Quaver Music is an online curriculum offering music lesson plans and teaching resources.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Elementary Music teachers only have access to the site, https://www.quavered.com/music/</p>
<p>S.P.I.R.E.</p>	<p>S.P.I.R.E. is a research-proven reading intervention program for struggling readers. It is designed to build reading success through an intensive, structured, and spiraling curriculum that incorporates phonological awareness, phonics, spelling, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Local Reading Specialists room/storage on each campus</p>
<p>Scholastic Guided Reading/Content Libraries</p>	<p>Scholastic Guided Reading/Content Libraries offer small group instructional materials, including authentic texts, for reading instruction at a variety of reading levels.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Local Reading Specialists room/storage on each campus</p>
<p>STAR 360 Assessment Suite</p>	<p>STAR 360 Assessment Suite includes STAR Reading, STAR Math, STAR Early Literacy, STAR CBM, STAR Custom, DnA, and STAR Spanish. All components guide students toward greater reading and math growth with computer adaptive and/or customizable assessments that are fast, accurate, and easy to administer.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>
<p>STEMscopes</p>	<p>STEMscopes is the adopted K-6th Science curriculum for the district. The program is a student-centric blended STEM learning environment where teachers are able to teach, intervene, and accelerate their diverse students. STEMscopes includes a digital platform brought to life in hands-on kits that students use to explore scientific concepts through the 5E + IA model.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>

<p>Studies Weekly Health</p>	<p>Studies Weekly Health is the primary Social Studies curriculum for K-6th grade. The program is an online platform that provides students multiple avenues to interact with health topics and address required state standards.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>
<p>Studies Weekly Social Studies</p>	<p>Studies Weekly Social Studies is the primary Social Studies curriculum for K-6th grade. The program offers a blended approach to social studies, through an online platform and printed weekly newspapers. The online platform extends learning through the use of primary sources and provides students an opportunity to respond to what is read.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>
<p>W.O.R.D.</p>	<p>W.O.R.D., or Words Open Reading Doors, supports K-5th grade students' vocabulary acquisition and deepens their comprehension. The online program focuses on teaching new words in context across the content areas for maximum retention and increased applicability.</p> <p>LOCATION/ACCESS: Online, available through the student portal</p>