

WELCOME TO

FIFTH GRADE



2025-2026



# OUR SCHEDULE

**8:00-8:30** Morning Procedures

**8:30-10:00** Block 1 (Dixon ELA, Chee Math)

**9:00** (working snack)

**10:00-11:30** Block 2 (Dixon Math, Chee ELA)

**11:30-12:00** What I Need Time/Science

**12:00-12:30** Lunch

**12:30-1:00** Specials

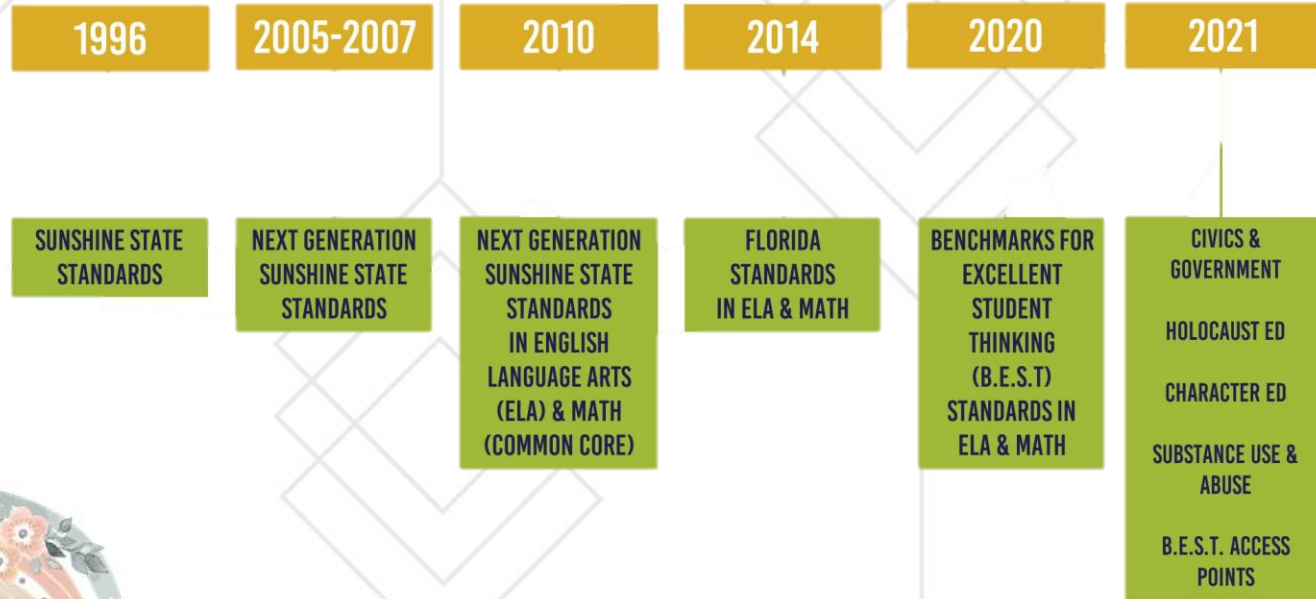
**1:00-1:30** Recess

**1:30-2:00** Social Studies/Science, Dismissal



# FLORIDA STANDARDS

## HISTORY OF STATEWIDE STUDENT STANDARDS IN FLORIDA



**B.E.S.T. - Benchmarks for Excellent Thinking**



# What are STANDARDS?

Standards are student-centered expectations from which all curriculum, instruction and assessments are based.

## CURRICULUM

HOW ARE THE STANDARDS INCORPORATED INTO THE CLASSROOM?



SOMETIMES CONFUSED WITH “STANDARDS,” CURRICULUM IS THE MEANS OR THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL BY WHICH THE STANDARDS ARE TAUGHT.

## INSTRUCTION

HOW IS INSTRUCTION A PART OF THE STANDARDS?



INSTRUCTION IS THE TEACHER’S DELIVERY AND STRATEGIES USED TO IMPLEMENT THE CURRICULUM AND STANDARDS.

## ASSESSMENT

HOW ARE ASSESSMENTS RELATED TO THE STANDARDS?



ASSESSMENTS PROVIDE FEEDBACK TO TEACHERS, PARENTS AND STUDENTS ON A STUDENT’S LEVEL OF MASTERY OF THE STANDARDS.

# Benchmark Advance

The Florida Benchmark Advance curriculum is grounded in the science of reading and designed for remote and on-site learning. Foundational skill standards are covered in systematic lessons that develop essential background knowledge and content vocabulary.

## FLORIDA B.E.S.T. EXPECTATIONS

### Foundations & Application

Daily instruction is systematic and explicit, aligned to science of reading research.

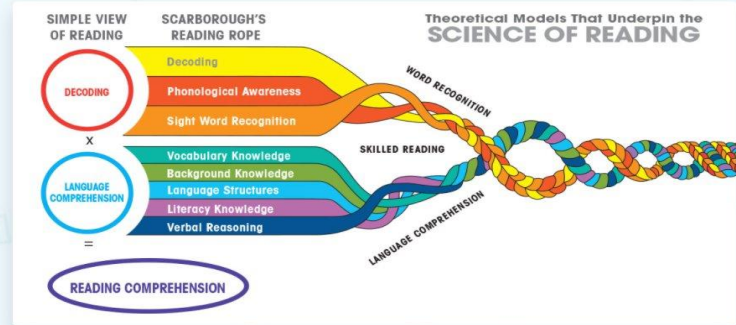
Instruction emphasizes the five essential early literacy skills:

- Phonological Awareness
- Phonics
- Fluency
- Vocabulary
- Comprehension

#### BUILT ON THE B.E.S.T.

### Aligned to the Science of Reading Research

Designed to reflect current and confirmed research on learning to read and teaching reading.



# Benchmark Advance



BUILT ON THE B.E.S.T.

**Meets All ELA Standards, Strands, and Expectations**

## Build Knowledge Within and Across Grades

A Knowledge-Based Framework Is Key to  
Comprehending Text

- **10 topic-based units per grade** revolve around an essential question with multiple text sets per topic.
- **3 weeks of instruction per unit** allow students to build concepts, vocabulary, and content knowledge.
- **Grades K–6 vertical and horizontal alignment** builds

**Foundations**



**Reading**



**Vocabulary**



**Communication**



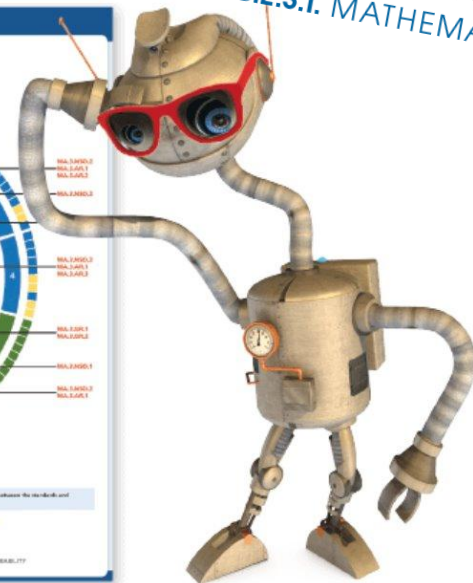
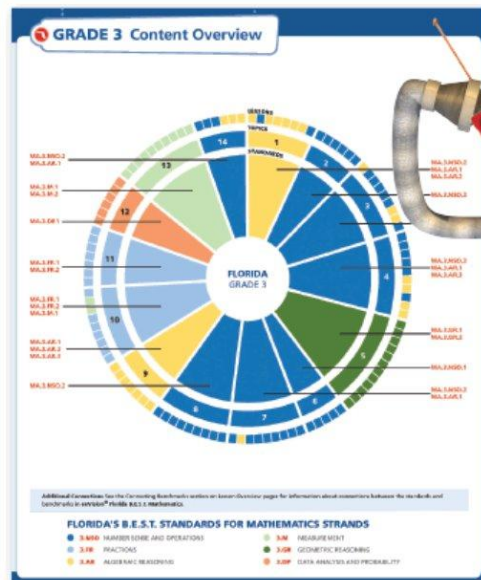
# Savvas enVision MATH



enVision Florida  
B.E.S.T. MATHEMATICS

## Built for Florida B.E.S.T. Standards

The new B.E.S.T. Standards provide a vision and a roadmap for preparing all students in Florida for success. *enVision Florida B.E.S.T. Mathematics* captures the simplicity, practicality, and specificity of the new standards, going beyond just basic alignment.



# Super SCIENCE

- Embedded into Reading block to increase content knowledge for students



**Progress  
Learning**

- New Generation Standards (NGSS)
- Progress Learning
  - Contains a learning pathway based on specific data!
- Hands-on experimental kits
- Science lab materials
- Digital Science Labs
- Science journals
- Videos on science topics

# Social STUDIES

- Gallopade Curriculum equips students and teachers with materials designed to meet the needs of every learner, with a state-specific, standards-aligned, comprehensive curriculum program.

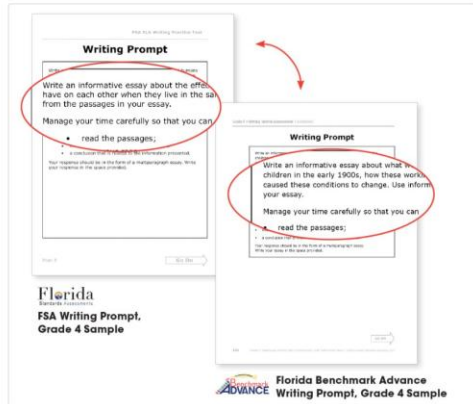


# Wonderful Writing

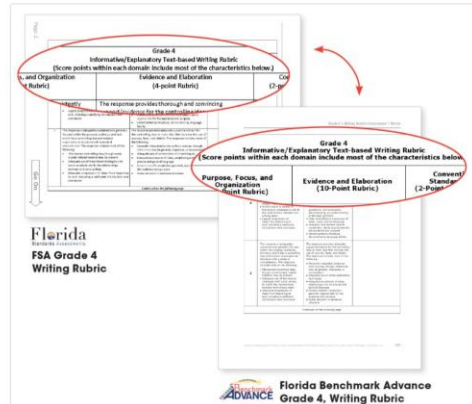


## Writing Aligned to Florida Assessment

Prompts and rubrics mirror Florida Standards Assessments, preparing students for high-stakes experiences.



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## New Writing Program!

- Scored by hand by educators; like state testing

## Students will write:

- Narratives – write to tell a story
- Expository – write to inform using facts
- Opinion – write to explain an opinion with evidence
- Poetry

## We will use the writing process:

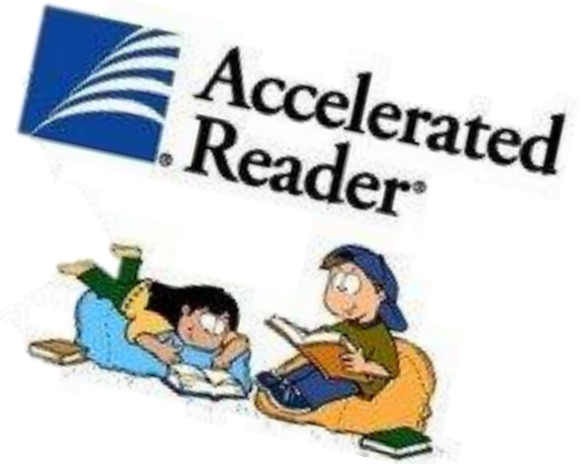
- Prewriting/Brainstorming/Planning
- Drafting
- Revising (self and peers)
- Editing (teacher)
- Publishing
- \*not every piece will be published

# Accelerated READER (AR)

- Make essential reading practice more effective for every student
  - Manage all reading activities including read to, read with, and independent reading
- School-wide and grade-level recognition and awards
  - Build a lifelong love of reading and learning

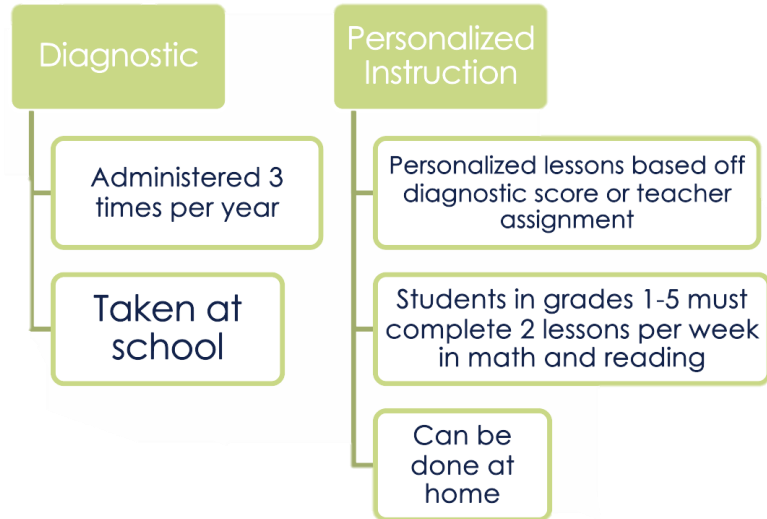
Quizzes can only be taken at school 😊

Parents can sign up for alerts to monitor their child's usage!



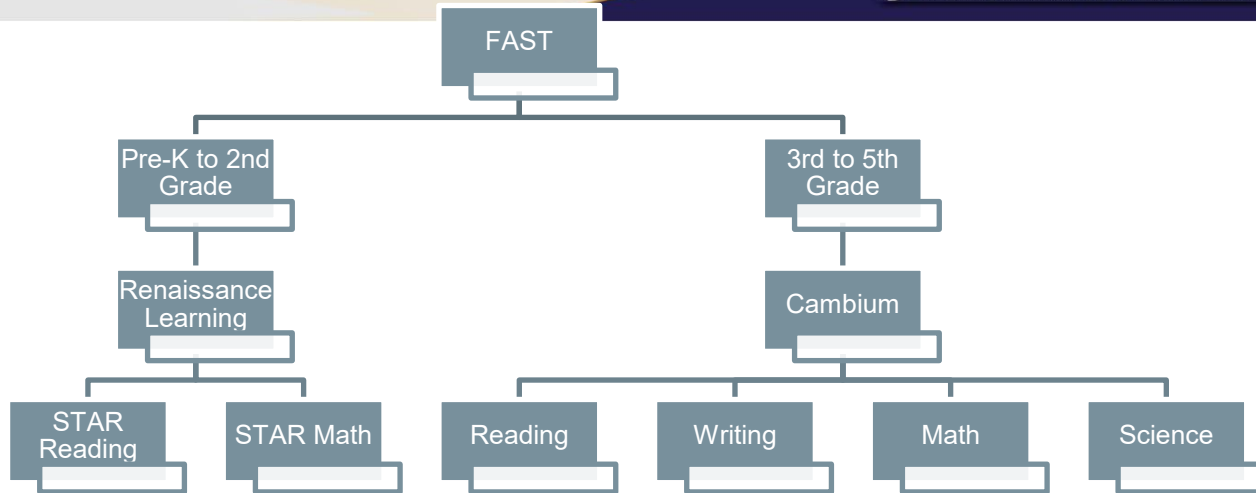
# i-Ready

i-Ready is an online program for reading and mathematics that will help your student's teacher determine your student's needs, personalize their learning, and monitor progress throughout the school year. i-Ready allows your teacher to meet your student exactly where they are and provides data to increase your student's learning gains. i-Ready consists of two parts: **Diagnostic** and **Personalized Instruction!**



# Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST)

## *Understanding* FLORIDA'S ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT THINKING



# Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST)

Progress  
Monitoring #1

- August to  
September



Progress  
Monitoring #2

- December to  
January

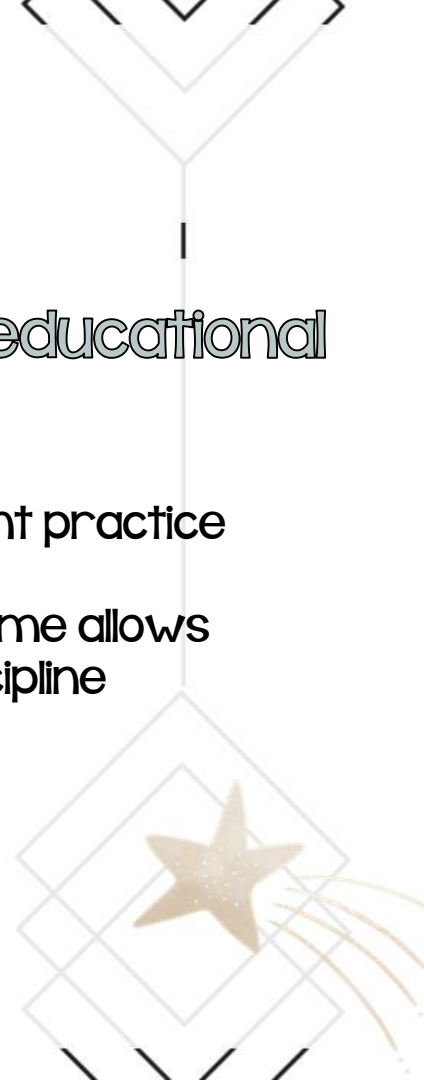


Progress  
Monitoring #3




- May to June

# HOMework

- Homework is important to each student's educational experience:
  - Reinforce skills taught in the classroom
  - Provide the student with an opportunity for independent practice
    - Study classroom materials
  - Explore and master skills more thoroughly than class time allows
    - Encourages responsibility, study skills, and self-discipline
  
- Homework will be given Monday through Thursday.
- School board policy 10 minutes per grade level
- Make-up Work: For every absence, the student is allowed 2 school days upon returning to school
- Assignments can't be provided ahead of time



# WHY READ 20 MINUTES AT HOME?

Student A Reads	Student B Reads	Student C Reads
❖ 20 minutes per day.	❖ 5 minutes per day.	❖ 1 minute per day
❖ 3,600 minutes per school year.	❖ 900 minutes per school year.	❖ 180 minutes per school year.
❖ 1,800,000 words per year.	❖ 282,000 words per year.	❖ 8,000 words per year.
		
❖ Scores in the 90 <sup>th</sup> percentile on standardized tests.	❖ Scores in the 50 <sup>th</sup> percentile on standardized tests.	❖ Scores in the 10 <sup>th</sup> percentile on standardized tests.

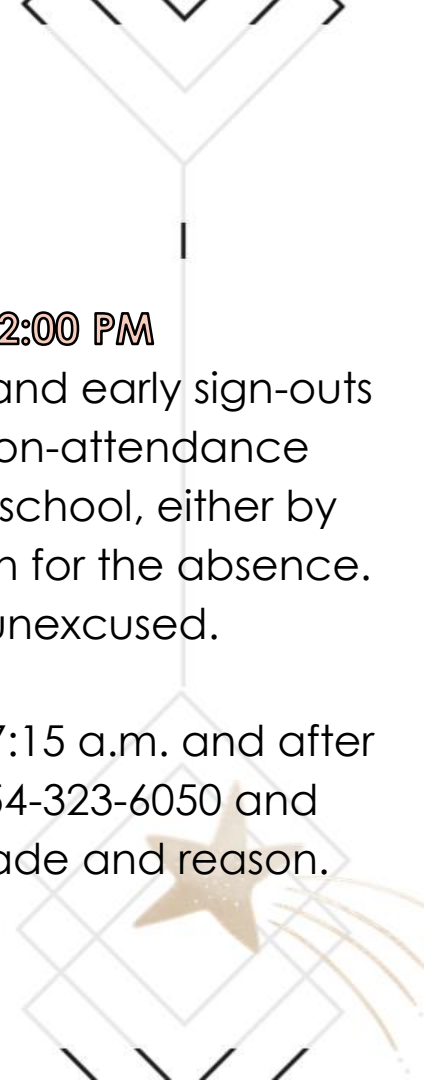
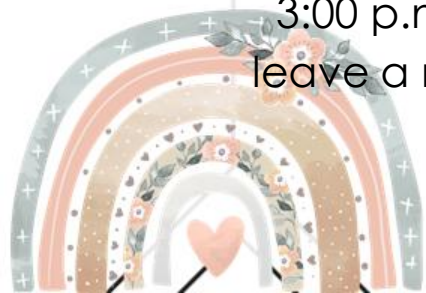
If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.

(Gray and Ferraro, 1992.)

**WANT TO BE A BETTER READER? SIMPLY READ.**

# ATTENDANCE

- School day starts promptly at **8:00 AM** and ends at **2:00 PM**
- Both excused and unexcused absences along with tardiness and early sign-outs will be counted when determining a student's pattern of non-attendance
- Each time your child is absent you are required to notify the school, either by telephone or through a note, within 48 hours stating the reason for the absence. If the school is not notified the absence is considered unexcused.
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- Harbordale has Memory Call, which will be activated before 7:15 a.m. and after 3:00 p.m. If you need to report an absence, you can call 754-323-6050 and leave a message with the child's name, teacher's name, grade and reason.
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# LUNCH

- Menus are located at [browardschools.com](http://browardschools.com) under Food and Nutrition Services
  - Money may be added to your child's account online
  - Breakfast is free and served between **7:30 AM** and **7:50 AM**
- For the health and safety of all students, Broward County School Board policy does **not** permit the distribution of home baked goods to students. This includes cakes, cookies, cupcakes, etc. You may send in food prepared and purchased from a store.



# VOLUNTEERS

- We love volunteers! Please fill out the volunteer application online at [browardschools.com/volunteer!](https://www.browardschools.com/volunteer)
- Please allow up to 30 days for your application to be accepted
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- As with visitors, volunteers must sign in and receive an ID badge at the office before going into any area of the school.
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- **If you plan on helping with class parties, you must be an approved volunteer!**
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- Due to liability issues, preschool children are not permitted to accompany volunteers in the classrooms when assisting or on field trips.

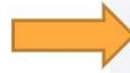


# CLEVER

1. Go to [sso.browardschools.com](https://sso.browardschools.com) using a browser (Chrome, IE, etc)



2. Click "log into active directory"



3. Enter your child's Florida Student Identification (FSI)

Example: 0611111111

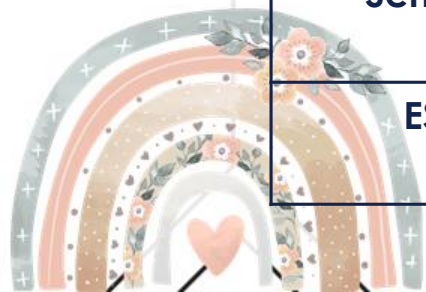
4. Your child's password is 0491



# CONTACT INFORMATION

Our Support Staff is here to help!

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# THANK YOU!!

**Thank you for coming today.  
This presentation will be  
available on the  
Harbordale Elementary  
School website.**

