

Core Knowledge 2025-2026 Curriculum Map

Grade Level: 1st

| | August | September | October | November | December | January | February | March | April | May |
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| Spelling/Phonics | Alphabet letters/sounds review; Phonemic awareness; consonants/vowels identification | Phonemic awareness, consonant digraphs, vowel patterns, and suffixes; spelling using phonics rules | Phonemic awareness, Silent 'e' and final stable syllables, spelling using phonics rules, tricky words | Trigraphs, suffixes, and vowel digraphs, phonemic awareness, spelling using phonics rules, tricky words | Combinations and vowel patterns; phonemic awareness, spelling using phonics rules, tricky words | Diphthongs and dropping rule; phonemic awareness, spelling using phonics rules, tricky words | Wild Colt Words, ghost letter digraphs and doubling rule; phonemic awareness, spelling using phonics rules, tricky words | Trigraphs, Prefixes, Suffixes, phonemic awareness, spelling using phonics rules, tricky words | Review: Digraphs, combinations and affixes, phonemic awareness, spelling using phonics rules, tricky words | Review: Diphthongs, Trigraphs, Final Stable Syllables and Spelling Rules, phonemic awareness, spelling using phonics rules, tricky words |
| Reading | Reading Phrases and Sentences; Partner Reading; Small Group Reading; Reading Comprehension: Multiple Choice | Reading Phrases and Sentences; Partner Reading; Small Group Reading; Reading Comprehension: Multiple Choice | Reading Phrases & Sentences; Partner, Small Group and Whole Group Reading; Reading Comprehension: Multiple Choice | Reading Comprehension: Multiple choice with citation; Small Group Reading; Partner Reading; Whole Group Reading | Reading Comprehension: Multiple choice with citation; Small Group Reading; Partner Reading; Whole Group Reading | Reading Comprehension: Multiple choice with citation; Small Group Reading; Partner Reading; Whole Group Reading | Two-Syllable Words; Reading Comprehension: Multiple choice with citation; Small Group Reading; Partner Reading; Whole Group Reading | Two-Syllable Words; Response to Text: Sentences with Citation; Small Group Reading; Partner Reading; Whole Group Reading | Response to Text: Sentences with Citation; Small Group Reading; Partner Reading; Whole Group Reading | Reading Comprehension: Multiple choice with citation; Small Group Reading; Partner Reading; Whole Group Reading |
| Grammar | Capitalization and Punctuation | Capitalization and Punctuation | Complete Sentences | Nouns | Nouns | Proper Nouns | Verbs | Adjectives | Grammar Review | Grammar Review |
| Writing | Step-Up Introduction; Power Outlines; Handwriting | Step-Up Introduction; Power Outlines; Handwriting | Introducing Narrative Writing";Marvelous Me" Step-up to Writing; Handwriting | Developing Narrative Writing; Thankful Step-up to Writing; Handwriting | Introducing Opinion Writing; Step-up to Writing; Handwriting | Developing Opinion Writing; Winter Step-up to Writing; Handwriting | Introducing Informative Writing; Winter Step-up to Writing; Handwriting | Developing Informative Writing "I am Special" Step-up to Writing | Spring Step-up Paragraph Writing | First Grade Step-up paragraph Writing Review |
| Literature | Poetry Unit: Solomon Grundy, Hope, The Purple Cow, Table Manners, Thanksgiving Day, Owl and the Pussycat, Sing a Song of People, My Shadow, The Swing, I Know All the Sounds, Pasture | | Fables and Stories: Boy Who Cried Wolf, Maid and the Milk Pail, Goose and the Golden Eggs, Dog in the Manger, Wolf in Sheep's Clothing, Fox and the Grapes, Medio Polito (Half-Chick), Crowded Noisy House, Tale of Peter Rabbit, All Stories are Anansi's | | | Different Lands Similar Stories: Cinderella, The Girl with the Red Slippers, Billy Beg, Tom Thumb, Thumbelina, Issun Boshi: One-Inch Boy, Little Red Riding Hood, Hu Gu Po, Tselane | | Fairy Tales: Sleeping Beauty, Rumpelstiltskin, Rapunzel, Frog Prince, Hansel and Gretel, Jack and the Beanstalk | Sayings and Phrases: The Golden Rule, Sour Grapes, Wolf in Sheep's Clothing, There's No Place Like Home, The More the Merrier, An apple a day... , If at first you don't succeed... Never leave until tomorrow, Practice makes perfect, Let the cat out of the bag, A.M. and P.M. (*taught throughout the year during various units) | |
| Science | Core Knowledge: Sun, Moon, and Stars | Core Knowledge: Sun, Moon, and Stars | CKLA: Human Body | Core Knowledge: Plant and Animal Survival | Core Knowledge Science: Health and Human Body: Human Body Systems | Core Knowledge: Astronomy | Core Knowledge: History of the Earth (Geology) | Core Knowledge: Exploring Light and Sound | CKLA: Animals and Habitats | CKLA: Simple Machines |
| History | Geography Review: Continents | Early World Civilizations: Mesopotamia | Early World Civilizations: Ancient Egypt | Early Civilizations of the Americas: Maya, Inca, Aztecs; Early Explorers and Settlers | | A New Nation: American Revolution; American Symbols; Declaration of Independence | A New Nation: American Revolution; American Symbols; Declaration of Independence (cont.) | Frontier Explorers: Daniel Boone, Lewis & Clark, Sacagawea | Mexico Today: Geography of Mexico; Mexico Past and Present | World Religions: Christianity, Judaism, Islam |
| Math | Unit 1 - Adding, Subtracting, and Working with Data | Unit 1 - Adding, Subtracting, and Working with Data | Unit 2- Addition and Subtraction Story Problems | Unit 3 - Adding and Subtracting within 20 | Unit 3 - Adding and Subtracting within 20 | Unit 4 -Numbers to 99 | Unit 4 -Numbers to 99 | Unit 5 - Adding within 100 | Unit 6 - Measuring Lengths of up to 120 Length Units | Unit 7 - Geometry and Time |
| Art | Elements:Line-Vertical, horizontal, thick, thin, globe relationship Art:The Swan-Matisse, Shell Paintings-O'Keeffee, Parade-Lawrence | Elements: Line, early art, shape Art: Egyptian Art, cave paintings | Elements: Color-warm/cool, primary, combinations Art: Tulips in Holland-Monet, Whistler- McNeill | Elements: Color, Texture, shape Art: Native American Art, Little Fourteen Year Old...-Degas | Elements: Shape, Self Portrait Art: Stone City-Wood, Self Portrait-van Goh, Mona Lisa-da Vinci, Don Manuel Osorio...-Goya | Elements: Sculpture Art: Statue of Liberty, statues, pottery | Element: Texture, Still Life Art: Young Hare-Durer, Pinata-Rivera, Apples and Oranges-Cezanne | Elements: Still Life, Murals Art: modern murals, chalk art | Elements: Murals Art: The History of Medicine in Mexico- Rivera, | Elements: Symbols Art: Art from different religions |

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| Music | Melody & Harmony Instrumental Music; Paul Dukas: The Sorcerer's Apprentice Frere Jacques; Make New Friends | Rhythm: Whole, Half, & Quarter Note Rhythm Sticks, Jingle Bells, Xylophones A Time for Love; Dancing Snowflakes | Learning by Participating: Movement Concert Prep; Ballet: Tchaikovsky, Nutcracker Suite Concert Music; Halloween Music; Dry Bones | Memorization; Projection; Expression; Ensemble Skills; Stage Presence; Transitions; Movement Concert Prep; Ballet: Tchaikovsky, Nutcracker Suite Concert Music Nutcracker Field Trip | Memorization; Projection; Expression; Ensemble Skills; Stage Presence; Transitions; Movement Concert Prep Concert Music; Christmas Music | Review Composers; Mozart ; Classical Music; Eine kleine Nachtmusik America the Beautiful; Oh! Susanna; Yankee Doodle | Improvisation Jazz Music: Louis Armstrong On Top of Old Smoky | Timbre; Music Can Tell A Story Sergei Prokofiev: Peter and the Wolf; Orchestra Families & The Conductor Peter and the Wolf | Dynamics Opera: Hansel and Gretel; Musical Stories Oh, John the Rabbit; La Cucaracha | Review Review There's A Hole in the Bucket |
| Physical Education | Orientation, Protocols + Team Building Activities Manipulative Skills using bean bags and hoops Throwing Skills | Football Related Activities (throwing/ catching) Manipulative Skills (Soccer Intro) Dribbling, Passing, and Kicking Skills in Soccer | Skill Practice - Volleying Fundamental Skills Scooters | Rhythmic Movement Skills Thanksgiving Break Cardio Drumming Bowling | Throwing & Catching (bean Bags & Balls) Invasion Games Winter Break | Manipulative Skills using Short Paddle and Ball or Birdie | Jump Rope Skills Kids Heart Challenge Relays Fitness Circuits, Scooters | Basketball Related Skills & activities Dribbling, Passing & Shooting | Manipulative Skills with Frisbees Spring Break Track and Field Skills | Soccer Parachutes Summer Activities |
| Technology | Skill: Lab rules and safety rules, parts of the computer, login practice | Skill: Mouse- Refresh, Alphabet, Numbers, Click and Drag, Accuracy | Skill: Introduction to Keyboard Arrows, space bar | Skill: Keyboard Keys | Skill: Programming concepts, Coding; CS Ed Week | Skill: Intro to Typing, Home Row, Typing e i, t, y, r and u | Skill: Typing w, o, q, p, v and m. | Skill: Typing b and n, c and comma Dr. Seuss Week | Skill: Digital Citizenship, Typing x and z | Skill: Typing words |