

Reading: Grade 3 Curriculum Overview

Third Grade uses the Benchmark Advance curriculum to guide our reading instruction. Students alternate between authentic, complex fiction and nonfiction text sets that are culturally responsive and from multiple perspectives. Students are met at their instructional level using differentiated texts that tie to the unit topic.

Skills to be developed throughout the course:

- Metacognitive & Fix-Up
- Comprehension
- Vocabulary
- Writing
- Grammar and Language
- Foundational Skills: Fluency & Word Study
- Speaking and Listening

Units of Study:

- Animal Adaptations
- Ways Characters Shape Stories
- Government for the People
- Comparing Points of View
- Advancements in Technology
- Making Decisions
- Communities Then and Now
- Weather Climate
- Time & Money
- Forces and Interactions

This course follows The New Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts Incorporating the Common Core.

- 3rd grade standards are highlighted on pages 15-20 of [this document](#).