



EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY

The following are general topic areas and intended timelines for instruction. Topics are listed in the months they are most likely to be taught but may occur earlier or later than indicated. Math topics are listed for the “at grade level” curriculum only.

Eagle Ridge Academy First Grade Curriculum Overview - revised Sept 2021

	Reading*	Grammar/Writing***	Math**	History/Geography	Science
August/ September	Phonics: -correct letter formation and spacing, phonetic and common sight word spelling -short and long vowels Fables: -The Boy Who Cried Wolf -The Maid and the Milk Pail -The Goose and the Golden Egg	-Study skills -quality in coloring, cutting, letter formation, spacing, and all written work -Identifying five parts of a complete sentence -sentences and fragments -use and classification of subject nouns (SN) and verbs (V) -Purpose of Writing -Identifying parts of stories -Habits of Discussion	-Numbers 0-120 -Time to the hour -Adding doubles (sums to 18) -Even and Odd numbers -Attributes of pattern blocks -Weekdays/ Days of the week	Geography: Maps and Globes must know all continents, oceans, cardinal directions	The Human Body Louis Pasteur Edward Jenner
October	Phonics: -spelling with k and c -digraph ck and ng -final k spelling Fables: -The Dog and the Manger -The Wolf in Sheep’s Clothing -The Fox and the Grapes	***see footnote -using capital letters and punctuation marks in all sentences -continued use and classification of SN, and V in sentences that make sense. -use and classification of adverbs (Adv) and adjectives (Adj) Writing Projects: Introduction to the Writing Process	-Polygons -Fractional parts of a whole -Time to the half hour -counting by 10 -Counting dimes and pennies -Reading a thermometer to the nearest 10 degrees	Early World Civilizations: Mesopotamia	Habitats: Introduction Desert Forest Grassland
November	Phonics: -vccv rule -contractions -digraph sh and oo Fables: -Medio Pollito -The Crowded Noisy House -The Tale of Peter Rabbit	*** see footnote -continued use and classification of SN, V, Adv, Adj in sentences that make sense -use and classification of article adjectives (A) -Statements and Questions -Sequencing words Writing Project: Beginning Narrative Writing	-Bar graphs -Counting by 5 -Horizontal, vertical, and oblique lines -Identifying halves, fourths, and eighths of a whole -Measuring to the nearest inch -Adding 10 to a 2 digit number	Early World Civilizations: Egypt	Habitats: Review
December	Phonics: -final, stable syllables -vowel y -combination er -trigraph igh -digraph ai, ay -suffixes –less, -ness, -ly Fables: -All Stories are Anansi’s Different Lands, Similar Stories: -Cinderella -The Girl with the Red Slippers	***see footnote -continued use and classification of SN, V, Adv, Adj, and A in sentences that make sense -Capitalization Rules : names, first word in a sentence, pronoun I -contractions -other pronouns -Informational Text features Writing Project: Narratives	-Counting dimes, nickels, and pennies -Ordering 2 digit numbers -Line of symmetry -Adding 2-digit numbers -Associative Property of Addition	Early World Civilizations: Three World Religions Judaism, Christianity, Islam	Habitats: Arctic Rainforest Freshwater
January	Phonics: -combination ir, ur -soft c -digraph ow, ea -vcv rule -diphthongs oi, oy - dropping rule Different Lands, Similar Stories: -Billy Beg -Tom Thumb -Thumbelina -Issun Boshi	***see footnote -continued use and classification of SN, V, Adv, Adj, and A in sentences that make sense -types of nouns: singular / plural and common / proper Writing Project : Informational Research Report (Planets) or How to Writing	-Adding 2-digit numbers with regrouping -A.M./P.M., -Noon/midnight -Reading a thermometer to the nearest 2 degrees -Line segments to the nearest half inch -Adding 2-digit numbers with a sum greater than 100 - Subtracting 1, 2, and 3	Early American Civilizations: Maya	Habitats: Saltwater Habitat Destruction Rachel Carson Astronomy
February	Phonics: -suffix –es -diphthongs ou, ow - digraphs au, aw, oa, ey, ph - Wild Colt rule	***see footnote -continued use and classification of SN, V, Adv, Adj, and A in sentences that make sense	-3 digit numbers -Time to 5-minute intervals -Subtracting 4, 5, and 6 - Comparison symbols (<, >, =) -Numbers in expanded form	Early American Civilizations: Aztec, Inca	Matter

	- Ghost letter digraphs Different Lands, Similar Stories: -Little Red Riding Hood -Hu Gu Po -Tselane	-use and classification of Prepositions (P) and Objects of the Preposition (OP) -Capitalizing months and days of the week -Informational text features	-Subtracting 2-digit numbers with regrouping		
March	Phonics: -trigraphs tch, dge -digraphs ie, ei, ew - combination wh -suffixes -er, -est, -ful - prefixes pre-, dis Fairy Tales: -Sleeping Beauty - Rumpelstiltskin -Rapunzel	***see footnote -continued use and classification of SN, V, Adv, Adj, A, P, and OP in sentences that make sense -introduction to Subjects and Predicates -Capitalizing cities and states Writing Projects: Biographies (science) Opinion	-Counting quarters -Rounding to the nearest 10 -Subtracting 7, 8, and 9 - Estimating a sum using two digit numbers -Geometric solids - Multiplying by 1 and 100	A New Nation Thomas Jefferson Betsy Ross George Washington	Electricity Thomas Edison Benjamin Franklin
April	Phonics: -all consonant digraphs -all vowel digraphs -combinations and affixes Fairy Tales: -Hansel and Gretel -Jack and the Beanstalk	***see footnote -continued use and classification of SN, V, Adv, - Adj, A, P, and OP in sentences that make sense -Conjunctions -informational text features	-Finding perimeter -Time to the minute -Adding 3-digit numbers with regrouping -Parallel lines -Multiplying by 2, 3, and 5 -Mixed numbers	A New Nation Exploring the Frontier	Geology: History of the Earth
May/June	Phonics: -all diphthongs -all final, stable syllables -all trigraphs -spelling rules Poetry Fairy Tale: The Frog Prince	***see footnote -continued use and classification of SN, V, Adv, Adj, A, P, and OP in sentences that make sense -synonyms and antonyms Writing Project options: Informational Research Report (Habitat/Animal) or Information How To	-Right angles -Estimating area -intersecting lines, and perpendicular lines -Arrays -Time to the quarter hour -Transformation, Translation, rotations, and reflections -Multiplying by 4 -Points on a coordinate plane -Dividing by 2 -Mode and range	Exploring the Frontier Daniel Boone James Monroe Lewis and Clark Mexico Today	Geology: continued Dinosaurs

* (Reading). Stories listed are taught during whole class instruction, which follow along with the Core Knowledge Curriculum. Saxon Phonics and Spelling are also taught during whole group instruction and further explored and reinforced during flexible groups. Other Core Knowledge stories used during read alouds are: Korean Cinderella, Yeh-Shen: Chinese Cinderella, Little Finger of the Watermelon Patch Vietnam Red Riding Hood, The Boy at the Dike, In Which Tigger Comes to the Forest and Has Breakfast, The Pied Piper of Hamelin, Pinocchio, The Princess and the Pea, Puss in Boots, Brer Rabbit Gets Brer Fox's Dinner, Brer Rabbit, and Why the Owl Has Big Eyes

** (Math) Some students receive enrichment opportunities.

*** (Writing) These writing skills are expanded and challenged for growth every month during the year:

- correct letter formation and spacing, phonetic and common sight word spelling
- quality in coloring, cutting, letter formation, spacing, and all written work
- identifying and using five parts of a complete sentence, (capitalization, punctuation, SN, V, makes sense)
- habits of discussion