

3rd Grade - EDUCATION GOALS

I. English will continue to develop and reinforce previous skills by correlating English with reading, composition and writing.

A. Reading

The child's reading program will emphasize the application of skills begun in first and second grade. Vocabulary development will be continued and the cause and effect principle will be introduced. Study guides written as a help to improve silent reading comprehension will be used. Reading comprehension tests will be utilized as well.

B. Composition and Writing

Narration promotes oral and written communication skills and the expression of emotions, feelings, reactions, as well as independent and critical thinking. An appreciation and understanding of drama, poetry, and literature will be extended. Formal workbook lessons covering capitalization, punctuation, sentence combining and grammar concepts and usage will be used daily.

II. Mathematics

The third grade math program systematically builds upon and reinforces skills, concepts, and strategies begun in the previous grades. An emphasis will be placed on multiplication and divisions skills. The correlation of math with other subject areas is continued, as is the practical application of what is being learned and the development of independent learning skills.

III. History/Geography

The student will continue a chronological study of history with a study of Post-Civil War/Reconstruction to the present. Through the use of biographical sketches of real people who lived during these times the child will explore everyday life, journeys, feasts, holidays, farming, markets, travel, childhood and education, etc. A time line is used to develop an understanding of unfolding history. Through these time periods the child will be studying the science of geography and how it affected the development of cultures and societies.

V. Science

Observation of nature, application of the scientific method, and the correlation of science with other subject areas will be continued in the third grade science program. New areas of knowledge are introduced.

Other subject areas to be explored as approiate for the child this year may include Health/Manners, Art, Music, Physical Education, Physical Education, and Home Economics