



Third Grade Curriculum Ada Elementary 2022-2023



<u>English Language Arts</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>Math</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ask and answer questions about a text using supporting evidence• Describe the basic elements of fiction• Compare ideas, characters, events, and settings in stories• Increase reading fluency and comprehension with narrative and informational text• Recognize and understand key features of informational text• Write narratives with descriptive details and clear sequenced events.• Write opinions about topics with supporting evidence.• Conduct short research projects to build knowledge about a topic• Build spelling, phonemic awareness, vocabulary and phonic word recognition	<p>Students will focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Forces and interaction• Life Science• Earth Science <p>Throughout each unit, students will design and carry out investigations using observations and data collection to reach logical conclusions about a topic.</p> <p><u>Social Studies</u></p> <p>Students will examine fundamental concepts in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• history• geography• civics & government• economics• public discourse, decision making & citizen involvement <p>with a focus on early Michigan history through statehood.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fluently multiply and divide within 100• Estimating the sums and differences of two numbers up to three digits• Solve two-step word problems using the four operations.• Add and subtract whole numbers with and without regrouping within 1,000• Identify and name place value up to 6 digits• Compare fractions on a number line.• Understand the names and properties of 2D shapes• Understand and calculate the measurement of perimeter and area• Interpret, construct, and analyze graphs

Things You Need to Know About 3rd Grade!

A guide for families *and* students

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Birthdays</u></p> <p>We look forward to celebrating your child's birthday this year! Due to increasing food allergies, please either share a non-food birthday treat with each student or we will find time during the special day to play a game in celebration. Those with summer birthdays will have an opportunity later in the school year.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Switching Classes</u></p> <p>All 3rd graders will be switching classes for science, social studies, and technology instruction. Mr. Lowell teaches social studies, Mrs. Jager teaches science, and Mrs. Dudley will teach technology. More information will be available once school begins.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Snacks and water bottles</u></p> <p>Students will be allowed a time each day to enjoy a HEALTHY snack. Due to classroom allergies, please do not bring snacks containing peanut products. (They are okay in lunch boxes, as there is a peanut-free table in the cafeteria for those allergic to nuts.) Students may bring a water bottle that SEALS if they choose for use during the school day.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Planner</u></p> <p><i>Students</i> are responsible for writing assignments and their due dates in their planners. <i>Parents:</i> Please look over your child's planner each night and sign/initial it - this line of communication between school/home will help your 3rd grader be accountable. It is very important that your child take responsibility for his/her planner. Please <i>encourage</i> your child to keep it in a safe place and return it to school each day.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Appointments</u></p> <p>We appreciate your scheduling appointments before or after school (especially during our science/social studies/technology block). Much of what students learn in school is done collaboratively, and class time that students miss cannot be recreated.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Field Trips</u></p> <p>Third graders will visit the Grand Rapids Public Museum in the spring to reinforce social studies and science instruction. More information and details will come as we get closer to the date.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Volunteer Opportunities</u></p> <p>We love and value volunteers! Please be on the lookout for more information on how to help in our classroom this year, regarding district policy.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Homework</u></p> <p>The school district policy is that students be given 10 minutes of homework per grade level each night: this equates to 30 minutes for 3rd graders.</p> <p>It is our hope that students complete the following <i>every night</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Read (practice skills from day's mini-lesson)● Math Facts (+, -, x, /) practice● Completion of work not finished during the school day