

Academics and Language Development

- Specialized support provided to students learning English (in the classroom and in small group settings)
- Emphasis on developing vocabulary and background knowledge in all subject areas.
- Focus on connecting student learning to the real world and building deeper understandings.
- Strong assessment leads to programming that meets the needs of every child.
- Reading instruction and materials are matched to student level and grow with students as they progress.
- Focus on math instruction that promotes a deep understanding of concepts and moves away from rote memorization of facts and redundant worksheets.
- Ongoing professional training for all staff in math, English language instruction, technology, and student engagement.
- Occupational therapists, speech/language pathologists, and physical therapists are available to students if needed.
- Technology is used to enhance learning: Smart boards, desktop and laptop computers, computer projectors with document cameras, and digital cameras are some of the tools available.