



K-2 Course Description Guide

Literacy	<p>180 minutes daily of literacy instruction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guided Reading via small group individualized reading instruction• Foundations phonics instruction• KIPP Wheatley reading and writing instruction that develops comprehension skills via complex, culturally relevant texts• Reading centers to provide students time for independent reading/writing and computer-based reading instruction <p>We strive to support all of our students to become confident, independent and proficient readers and writers and develop a genuine, authentic love for reading and writing by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensuring students master foundational skills, learn how to decode and make the successful transition from learning to read to reading to learn• Providing responsive and differentiated small group instruction tailored to individual student needs• Providing students with opportunities to engage in productive struggle with challenging texts• Providing students with explicit instruction in the craft of writing and supporting them in expressing their ideas clearly and creatively
Math	<p>90 minutes of daily Eureka Math instruction</p> <p>Students engage in authentic experiences learning about numbers and how they work by way of investigation with the use of manipulatives and sharing their learning by engaging in robust discussions. Students share their thinking about how to solve problems and learn from other students in the process. Students engage in fluency routines, high-quality tasks, problem sets, class discussions, and models to explore mathematical concepts and skills. Students solidify their learning through additional responsive math time, extended application, practice of the mathematics and a lesson debrief.</p>
Science/ Social Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Optional for K-2 and only offered in select schools <p>Students learn Science and Social Studies through an integrated course. Students get a hands-on experience as they explore various topics.</p>
Social Emotional Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Morning Meeting daily• Second Step (conflict resolution) one day/week• Cooperative Play in Kindergarten and 1st Grade <p>Students develop physical, emotional, social, and cognitive skills while learning and playing with their classmates. These skills are critical in ensuring students build self-awareness and empathy for others. Cooperative play is an important part of the day where students can have fun and develop strategies for conflict resolution, cooperation, sharing, and turn-taking.</p>
Enrichment	<p>Students participate in 40 minutes of enrichment daily.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spanish, PE, Music, or Art <p>Students have the opportunity to learn about music and art by playing instruments and creating artwork. Students learn to speak and write a foreign language. In P.E., students play and exercise together indoors or outdoors.</p>