

Dear Parents:

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide you with an overview of the major curriculum topics to be covered in your child's educational program. Our district curriculum is aligned with the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and Common Core State Standards set forth by the State Department of Education and is geared towards meeting the individual needs of each student. For a more extensive review of our curriculum, please feel free to contact your child's teacher or our district Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction.

Our teachers will be providing an instructional program that presents concepts and learning experiences through a variety of strategies that will actively engage each student in higher level thinking and foster academic growth.

If you should have any questions or concerns regarding our curriculum, please do not hesitate to contact your child's building Principal.

Best wishes for a successful and enjoyable school year!

Sincerely,

John Brennan
Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction

TEACHERS

Ms. Whitney Dugan
Mrs. Kristina Luciano/Mrs. Jamie Galdi
Mrs. Elizabeth Rossi
Mrs. Judith Williams

In Grade Five, students will focus on:

Language Arts (Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening and Viewing)

- Literature-based curriculum
- Book reports
- Critical thinking skills
- Process approach writing
- Integrating Language Arts with all subject areas

Mathematics

- Whole number computation
- Fractions and decimals
- Geometric concepts and patterning
- Group activities/cooperative learning strategies
- Problem solving

Science

- Scientific Method
- Science by inquiry
- Problem-solving activities

Social Studies

- U. S. history and geography
- Heritage and cultures
- Map and globe skills

Special Activities

- D.A.R.E.
- Battle of the Books
- Middle School orientation

Technology

- Use of word processing, and other computer skills
- Learn curriculum based projects that utilize electronic search tools, computer applications, and the Internet
- Presentations
- Spreadsheets
- Internet safety regarding social media and electronic communications
- Continued practice using the keyboard as a communication tool and preparation for the PARCC test

World Language

- Spanish

Family and Consumer Sciences

- Family structure and strengths
- Healthy friendships
- Hand sewing
- Personal hygiene
- Food and nutrition

Art

- Basic drawing skills
- Balancing colors to create designs
- Integration of art history
- Use of elements of arts

Health

- Mental, physical and social health
- Drug awareness
- D.A.R.E. Program

Music

- Concepts of melody, contour, and phrasing
- Reading and creating rhythms
- Band, Chorus
- Seasonal concert

Library

- Advanced OPAC searching
- Internet web site evaluation
- Online and print reference sources

Physical Education

- Rules, regulations, strategies and etiquette of sports
- Personal fitness

COMPUTER ACTIVITIES WILL BE INTEGRATED THROUGHOUT THE CURRICULUM

HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Our Legacy, A Well Educated Child

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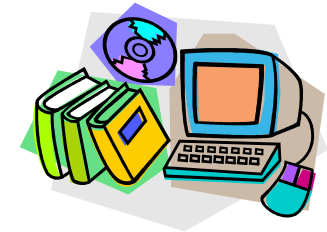
The Hardyston School District together with our parents, families and community is dedicated to preparing our students for the 21st Century by providing each student with a quality education, in a safe and caring environment, which allows all students to achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and Common Core State Standards at all grade levels and includes the knowledge, confidence, and self-esteem to be successful life-long learners in a culturally diverse democracy.

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