

Lake Myra Elementary Year Round School (Track 4)

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Family-School Compact Grade 2

WCPSS Goals

Increase Achievement
Inspire Leaders
Impact Lives

Lake Myra Instructional Overview

Daily Learning Includes:

- The 7 Habits-The Leader In Me
- Bloom's Taxonomy and Marzano's Dimensions of Thinking
- Technology Integrated
- Interventions and Digging Deeper Assessments for students below benchmark

Literacy:

- Classroom Leveled Libraries
- Writer's Workshop Framework
- Reader's Workshop-Guided Reading, Learning Stations, Letterland Phonological Awareness/ Phonics-K-2,
- Vocabulary Notebooks-Content

Math

- Problem Solving Emphasis using calculators and manipulatives regularly
- Math Talk
- Math Workshop and Stations
- 8 Mathematical Practices

In The Classroom

As your child's teacher I promise to...

Provide motivating and research based best practices to teach all students.

Provide open communication (folders, conferences, phone calls, emails, and notes)

Provide materials that are relevant, interesting and motivating.

Help parents understand instructional practices, class expectations and grading policies.

Provide a safe, welcoming environment that promotes learning and encourages a partnership with the school.

Provide workshops, newsletters, and information that allow parents to learn how to help their students.

Students: As a student, I promise to...

Complete all classwork and homework assignments using my best effort.

Read nightly and discuss what I read with my parents.

Participate in activities that help me learn at home and school. Ask questions if I need help and help others when I can. Be responsible with materials and equipment. Take responsibility for my actions and behavior each day.

Show leadership by making good choices and doing what is right.

At Home: As a parent I promise to ...

Schedule a time to complete school related assignments.

Talk with my child daily about his or her school experiences.

Attend conferences, meetings and activities at the school.

Help my child understand and follow SWIM expectations.

Talk about and learn about the 7 Habits to encourage Leadership.

In the 2nd grade your child will be learning:

- Paying attention in stories to answer *who, what, where, when, why* and *how* questions
- Determining the lesson or moral in stories
- Using text features to locate key facts
- Writing an opinion about a book
- Writing stories that include a sequence of events
- Participating in shared research projects
- Retelling key information or ideas from media or books read aloud
- Producing, expanding, and rearranging sentences
- Determining the meaning of a new word when adding prefixes and suffixes
- Solving addition and subtraction problems, within 100, with one or two steps by using drawings and equations
- Quickly and accurately adding with a sum of 20 or less using mental strategies
- Understanding what the digits mean in three-digit numbers (place value)
- Using understanding of place value to add and subtract three-digit numbers
- Measuring and estimating length in standard units
- Solving addition and subtraction word problems involving length
- Building, drawing, and analyzing 2-D and 3-D shapes to develop foundations for area, volume, and geometry in later grades

Activities to Build Partnerships

A "Leader In Me" School
Grade Level Performances
Read Across America Week
(March)

Purple Thursdays
Fun Run Challenge
PAC Meetings (Parent
Nights)
Family Nights
ROMP Chorus
Recorder Ninjas
First In Fitness
Talent Show
Special Olympics
5th Grade "SWIM UP"
Celebration
Leadership Day

Communication: Student Learning

Lake Myra is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect to communicate with us are:

- Daily/Weekly Folders (depending on grade level)
- Notes From The Teacher (written and email)
- Phone Calls
- Lake Myra Website/Classroom Website
- Interim Reports
- MClass Parent Reports for Literacy
- Report Cards (Quarterly)
- Informal and Formal Parent Conferences
- Student Led Conferences

What is a Family-School Compact?

A Family-School Compact is an agreement between parents, students and staff. It explains how families and staff members will work together to make sure all students get the support they need to reach grade level standards.

Preparing All Leaders for Their Future

Here are some activities you can do with your child to support Language Arts learning at home:

- Read at home every day and assist your child by reading every other paragraph. Encourage your child to read to younger siblings, cousins, or other children you know.
 - Have your child write a thank you note or letter to family members or friends.
 - Ask your Media Center specialist to suggest books about people or places that are important to your child or family that you can read together. Encourage your child to explain what he or she has just read.
 - **Here are some activities you can do with your child to support Math learning at home:** Create simple word/story problems for your child to solve. Examples could include:
 - Johnny has 47 baseball cards. He sells 18 cards. How many baseball cards does he have now? Explain how you figured out how many cards he has.
 - When measuring your child's height, ask how many inches he or she has grown since the very first measurement.
 - Play "draw the shape." For example, ask your child to draw a shape with six sides that are not the same length. Ask, "What shape is this?"
- **Always follow up with questions "How do you know?" and "Can you prove your answer?"

Working Together "At The Lake"

Parents, students and staff are committed to working together so the Family-School Compact is a working document. It will be posted on the Lake Myra website. Parents are encouraged to make comments and /or offer suggestions throughout the year. The compact will be shared and reviewed yearly based on feedback and collaboration.