



# Learning Expectations

Third Grade  
2020-2021

## High Expectations for Learning

Welcome to the Liberty Elementary School District! Our district's vision is to cultivate curious, creative, problem solvers prepared for tomorrow. With high standards for academic excellence, each of our schools provides quality instruction within a unique signature program. Our rigorous curriculum is designed to both challenge learners and individualize learning.

**What will your child learn in school this year?**

## Parents as Partners in Education

We believe that education is a partnership among students, their families, community members, and schools. As partners in your child's education, the LESD Learning Expectations document can provide you as parents with a quick view of what your child is expected to learn in school this year. Mastering these skills by the end of the school year prepares your child for future success.

*The Liberty Elementary School District curriculum is guided by the Arizona High Academic Standards for Students. Follow this link to the Arizona Department of Education website for additional information about the academic standards: <https://www.azed.gov/standards-practices>.*



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# ELA

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*By the end of the year, students will be able to do the following as it relates to each topic...*

### Reading

- Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
- Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.
- Proficiently and independently read and comprehend multiple types of grade-level text.
- Determine the main idea of a text and use key details to support the main idea.
- Use information gained from illustrations/photographs, maps, diagrams and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding.
- Compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.
- Know and apply phonics and word analysis skills in reading.

### Writing

- Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, using reasons to support one's point of view.
- Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

### Questions?

Please contact your child's teacher at any time with questions regarding the curriculum, and be sure to attend conferences with your child's teacher in both October and January.

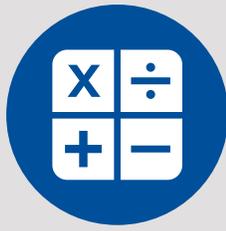
- Use the writing process to write opinion, informative and narrative compositions.
- Use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

### Speaking & Listening

- Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions; building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
- Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English (i.e., grammar & usage, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling.)

### Vocabulary

- Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topics or subject area.
- Acquire and use grade-appropriate vocabulary in reading, listening, speaking and writing.



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# Mathematics Third Grade Curriculum for Parents

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## Operations & Algebraic Thinking (OA)

- Represent and solve problems involving multiplication and division
- Understand properties of multiplication and the relationship between multiplication and division
- Multiply and divide with 100
- Solve problems involving the four operations, and identify and explain patterns in arithmetic

## Number & Operations in Base Ten (NBT)

- Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi-digit arithmetic

## Number & Operations in Fractions (NF)

- Develop understanding of fractions of numbers

## Measurement & Data (MD)

- Solve problems involving measurement and estimation of intervals of time, liquid volumes, and masses of objects
- Represent and interpret data

- Geometric measurement: understand concepts of area and relate area to multiplication and to addition
- Geometric measurement: recognize perimeter as an attribute of plane figures and distinguish between linear and area measures

## Geometry (G)

- Reason with shapes and their attributes

## Mathematical Practices (MP)

- Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them
- Reason abstractly and quantitatively
- Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others
- Model with mathematics
- Use appropriate tools strategically
- Attend to precision
- Look for and make use of structure
- Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning