

3rd Grade Level Expectations for Next Fall

The average 2nd grade student should have mastery of the following skills before entering 3rd grade. Some will be advanced and able to do more. Some will still be developing.

Reading

- Read independently at grade level
- Read and comprehend what is read
- Identify basic story elements – setting, characters, main idea, problem/solution
- Identify and read different forms of literature – fiction and non-fiction

Writing

- Ability to write a paragraph with five or more sentences
- Spell grade-level appropriate words
- Correct cursive letter formation
- Pre-writing formation
- Use correct punctuation and capitalization when writing

Math

- Addition/subtraction facts with regrouping (borrowing)
- Telling time to 15 minutes
- Place values to 1,000's
- Money value
- Basic measurement (inches, foot, yard, etc)
- >, <, = (greater than, less than, equal)

Science

- Name plants
- Basic science vocabulary
- Know types of animals
- How plants grow

Social Studies

- Basic map skills
- Know continents and oceans
- National symbols
- Respect different cultures
- **Know home address and phone number**