

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Guided Reading/Guided Math and how often do students participate in this?

The Guided Reading/Math block occurs for one period daily as an opportunity to practice the skills and strategies that were taught during the Core Reading/Math block. During guided reading and guided math, teachers work with smaller groups and design the practice to meet the students' instructional levels.

My child does not have his or her homeroom teacher during the Guided Reading/Guided Math. Does that mean that there is a reading or math problem?

No. Children at all levels of instruction may move in order to effectively group children to meet needs.

Will my child have this Guided Reading or Guided Math Assignment all year?

Guided Reading/Math assignments are based on student need. The teachers will meet several times a year to review student performance and make new assignments based on student performance on assessments and classroom observations. These assignments will change for some students during the year.

How will my child be graded?

The Core Reading and Core Math Teacher (your child's homeroom teacher) will have the primary responsibility for grading. The essential instruction of grade level skills and strategies will occur during Core Reading/Math time. Guided Reading and Guided Math teachers will carefully observe students and collect work samples that will be shared with each student's homeroom teacher to be considered when grading. Students with IEPs will be graded according to the IEP goals. Homeroom teachers and special education teachers will work together to report grades for these students.

How can I support my child at home?

Each student will be able to reread any of the stories in our reading series on the web at home if he or she has internet access. You will soon receive a login and password for your child. Reading these stories with your child and discussing them can give your child valuable extra practice. Parents can support children at home by providing them with a quiet place to complete homework and review student work every night. Please refer to the Everyday Math Student Reference Book for sample problems to help guide your child in the strategy being practiced on a given assignment. Additionally, each student should practice math facts using flashcards and strengthen math skills using the Everyday Math website. The Upper Moreland Public Library also offers Internet access to those students who do not have a computer at home.

Will students with GIEPs participate in the Guided Reading/Guided Math?

Students with GIEPs will attend LEAP during Guided Reading. This is the time dedicated to practice skills and strategies taught in Core Reading. During LEAP, students will have the opportunity to apply and extend these skills and strategies through a variety of activities. All students with GIEPs will participate in Guided Math.