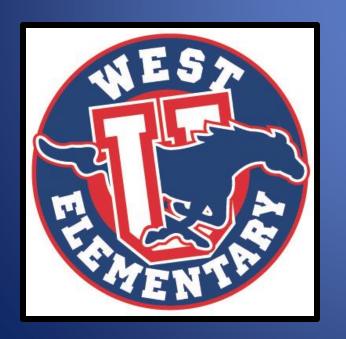
# Kindergarten Round Up



2025

Your child's teacher will go over this information in depth at a parent meeting that takes place at the beginning of the school year.

# Welcome to West University Elementary!



- Population of Students: 1,100+
- Pre-Kindergarten –
   5<sup>th</sup> grade
- 8-9 Kindergarten classes
- Approximately
  190-210 students in
  Kinder

# Daily Schedule Example

Time	Activity
7:30-7:40	Arrival & Announcements
7:40-7:50	Morning Meeting & Heggerty
7:50-8:30	Read Aloud (Reading Lesson)
8:30-8:45	Writer's Workshop
8:45-10:20	Language Arts (Handwriting, Spelling, Phonics, Stations, & Reading Groups)
10:20-10:30	Calendar
10:36-11:06	Lunch
11:10-12:00	Math
12:00-12:50	Ancillary
12:50-1:40	Science/Social Studies
1:45-2:30	Snack & Recess
2:30-2:50	Stack & Pack/ Dismissal

### Language Arts Curriculum

- Journal Writing
- Heggerty
- Wordly Wise
- HMH Curriculum
- Handwriting Book
- Phonics Books
- Reading Groups
- Workstations



### Math Curriculum

- Calendar
- Patterns
- Graphing
- Skip Counting
- Addition & Subtraction
- Word Problems
- Time
- Money

- Fractions
- Place Value
- Even & Odd
- Shapes
- Measurement
- Weight
- Greater & Less Than



# Science & Social Studies Curriculum

Science and Social Studies are taught through lessons that revolve on a weekly theme or unit.

- Weather & Seasons
- 5 Senses
- Plants
- Animal Classification
- Earth
- Community
- Traditions
- Maps
- Safety





# Ancillary



Students rotate between 9 ancillary classes. They attend one 50 minute ancillary class daily.

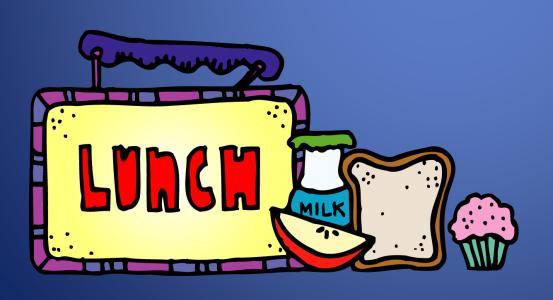
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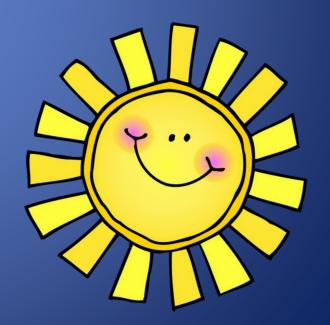
- Art
- Library
- Spanish
- Theatre
- Music
- PE 1 & 2
- Computer Lab 1 & 2



# Lunch, Recess, and Snack

- Kindergarten lunch starts around 10:30
- Snack and recess takes place in the afternoon for about 45 minutes.





## Dismissal

- We dismiss at 2:50.
- Parents may pick up at dismissal spot or in the carpool lane.

#### **After School Care Options:**

- Ikids (on campus)
- South Hampton
- YMCA
- Han Lin "Dragon" Academy
- Old School

 Holloway Preschool & Day Care

SCHOOL BUS

Building Blocks

# Homework & Leveled Books

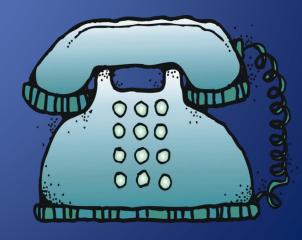
New <u>homework</u> assignment each week

 A decodable and/or leveled book is sent home each week to reinforce reading skills taught in the classroom.



### School Communication

- Weekly Classroom Newsletter
- Mustang News: Mr. Disch's Weekly WUES Newsletter
- Monthly Mustang: Newsletter written by students
- Monday Folders
- Teacher E-mail
- Parent/Teacher Conferences



# Volunteer Opportunities



- PTO
- Field Day
- Holiday Parties
- Field Trips
- KindergartenProgram



### Preparing Your Child for Kindergarten



#### Phonemic Awareness

Letter recognition

Letter/sound correspondence

Rhyming

BOB Books are great! (sight words & word families)

Syllables (counting "word parts")

Blending sounds (d/o/g = dog)

Reading comprehension & story elements

Sight words

#### Writing

Pencil grip

Convention of print (left to right & top to bottom)

Write name with correct upper and lower case letters

These skills were adapted from the HISD Pre-K curriculum.

#### Math

Number recognition 0-9

Count 1-30

Patterns

Sorting

Verbal word problems (add/sub to 5)

2D shapes

#### Independence

Self-help skills (bathroom, buttons, zippers)

Following oral directions

Managing classroom materials

Verbal expression

Hands to self

Hand-eye coordination & kinesthetic activities





