

The education of students is a responsibility shared by both educators and parents. Therefore parents should be aware of what is expected of their child. This sheet contains an overview of the essential skills and concepts in Reading, Writing, and Math that students will need to master by the end of the year to be considered proficient. These expectations were developed by D-11 teachers. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.

Colorado Springs School District 11

Grade Level Expectations

Third Grade



READING

- Use information from a variety of sources
- Respond to different kinds of text in a way that clarifies details and expands understanding of the text
- Self monitor to check for understanding
- Apply word attack skills to read new and unfamiliar words at grade level
- Use word recognition skills, strategies, and resources to decode
- Recognize and utilize reference materials
- Identify author's purpose or point of view
- Practice strategies while reading that will enhance understanding (questioning, predicting, inferring, visualizing, making connections)
- Understand and use new vocabulary
- Practice reading with appropriate tone, phrasing and pauses
- Adjust reading pace based on difficulty of text to convey meaning

WRITING

- Indent appropriately
- Write in a variety of modes (e.g. Narrative, Expository, Descriptive, letters)
- Create legible documents
- Use graphic organizers/web to plan for writing
- Summarize for a variety of purposes (story, article, etc.) correctly
- Connects ideas using transitions in a sequential and easy to follow order
- Use appropriate choice of words to communicate clearly
- Plan, draft, revise, edit, and publish
- Use correct capitalization
- Use correct punctuation (., ,, !,")
- Use the correct format for paragraph and letters
- Apply appropriate stylistic elements (metaphors and similes, etc.) to a variety of writing modes
- Use a variety of sentence structures
- Use a dictionary and thesaurus
- Write a simple summary
- Identify, use, and write plurals correctly
- Use subject/verb agreement
- Use grade appropriate spelling strategies and grammar
- Know nouns, verbs, adjectives, and pronouns
- Use grade appropriate spelling strategies and grammar
- Spell all 3rd grade words correctly from D11 Common Spelling Word List
- Read writing to others
- Listen and respond to others' writing

MATH

- Read and compare numbers to 1,000,000
- Write and order numbers to 1,000,000
- Place value- identify to 1,000,000
- Identify, describe, and extend patterns
- Explain how patterns are generated
- Collect and organize data
- Interpret and analyze data
- Create and identify results of combining or subdividing shapes
- Tell time to the nearest minute
- Measure objects accurately
- Compare objects according to measurable attributes- length, weight, capacity, temperature
- Use 4 basic operations to compute using whole numbers (+, -, x, ÷)
- Add 3 digit numbers with regrouping
- Subtract 3 digit numbers with regrouping
- Addition/Subtraction of common fractions using pictures
- Math facts fluency in addition, subtraction, and multiplication
- Use a variety of problem solving strategies and explain in writing the strategy used to determine the solution