

Roadrunner News

Preparation
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Literacy First:

Common Core State Standards (CCSS) are high-quality academic expectations that were created by experts and teachers from around the country. These research and evidence based standards were developed to ensure students are prepared to enter a world (after high school) in which colleges and businesses are demanding more and students can be successful. The CCSS helps develop and build your child's critical-thinking, problem-solving and analytical skills in English Language Arts and Mathematics.

Students in third, fourth and fifth graders have started taking the state assessments here at Rex. The students have to do more than find the answers and complete basic tasks. They will be using reasoning skills, working through more complex problems and even doing research on a variety of fiction and nonfiction texts.

Sample of the old state assessment reading question:

What is this passage mainly about? (gives A, B, C, D choices)

Sample of the new Common Core reading question:

The narrator of the story helps the reader understand the grandfather by (gives A, B, C, D choices)

Students in Pre-school through second grade are preparing for their future state assessments. Their teachers are hard at work creating rigorous lessons that will help them develop their skills in reading, writing, speaking & listening and math. Students are applying these skills to other areas such as science and history. The earlier the core concepts are taught in these grades, the more time it gives teachers to implement them and students to master them.

If you have any questions about Common Core State Standards, please contact your child's teacher, myself or check out this website: www.ksde.org

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 NO SCHOOL/ OFFICES CLOSED Non-Contract Day	3 3:55 PM—5:15 PM Campus Kids Bible Club 5:00 PM—8:00 PM Sonic Night	4	5	6
9	10 3:55 PM—5:15 PM Campus Kids Bible Club	11 8:45 AM—12:15 PM 1st Grade to Great Plains Nature Center 9:00 AM—12:10 PM 2nd Grade to Carousel Skate Center	12	13
16 Hearing & Vision Screenings for New and Missed Students	17	18 9:30 AM—12:10 PM 3rd Grade to Paint the Towne	19	20
23 4:00 pm—6:00 PM Talent Show Auditions	24 4:00 pm—6:00 PM Talent Show Auditions	25	26 9:15 AM—2:15 PM Kindergarten to Tanganyika	27 NO SCHOOL DISTRICT INSERVICE
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