# A Parent's Guide to...



# FOURTH GRADE

# Language Arts

## Reading

- Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills and read with fluency and accuracy
- Refer to details and draws inferences from a text
- Determine theme or main idea; summarize the text; describe story elements in depth; and use specific information from the text to explain what happened and why
- Describe overall text structure; determine word meaning; and compare and contrast points of view within stories and of the same event or theme
- Integrate information from two texts on the same topic; and make connections between listening and viewing the same story or event

#### Writing

- Write grade-level appropriate opinion, informative, and narrative texts that introduce a topic supported by facts using linking words and phrases; convey ideas clearly to develop real or imagined experiences using descriptive details, clear event sequences, and a concluding statement
- Collaborate with peers on the writing process; and use Internet and keyboarding skills to produce and publish writing
- Conduct short research projects; gather evidence from print and digital sources; take notes; categorize information; and provide a list of sources
- Demonstrate grade-level spelling, grammar, and punctuation

# Mathematics



# Operations & Algebraic Thinking

- Solve problems, involving the four operations, with whole numbers
- Factors and multiples
- Generate & analyze patterns

#### Number & Operations in Base Ten

- Place value with multi-digit whole numbers
- Use place value & the properties of operations to perform multi-digit arithmetic

#### **Fractions**

- Fractions equivalence and ordering
- Build fractions from unit fractions
- Understand decimal notation for fractions
- Compare fractions

#### Measurement

- Measurement conversion
- Angles & angle measurements

#### Data Literacy

- Organize and understand data visualizations
- represent and interpret data

### Geometry

Draw & identify lines and angles
Classify shapes by their lines & angles

# Social Studies

# Colonial New Jersey

- Explain the settlement patterns in New Jersey
- Explain the relationship between New Jersey, the Native Americans, and European Colonists

#### Modern NJ & The World

- Explain how human interactions impact the environment in NJ and the US
- Explain how inventions contributed to the improvement of our lives
- Explain how we can balance economic development and individual rights

#### Government

- Explain basic ideas about government that the Founders have
- Explain why the Declaration was written and its impact on the American Colonists
- Explain how the U.S. Constitution organizes our government to prevent an abuse of power

### Science

# Science Topics

- · Soil, rock, and landforms
- Environments
- Energy
- Engineering design
- . Scientific method

#### Science Class

- Students will perform investigations stemmed from the FOSS program
- Focuses on three important goals: scientific literacy, instructional efficiency, and systemic reform
- Students will partake in a recording/writing component within investigations



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