



Phonics

To teach our Kindergarten and First Grade scholars foundational reading skills we use a research based phonics and decoding program.

In first grade, teachers meet daily with a small group of scholars who are on a similar proficiency level when it comes to phonics and decoding. Teachers provide direct instruction in phonemic awareness, phonics, comprehension and fluency. Scholars practice reading with accuracy, fluency, and comprehension in the context of decodable books.

In Kindergarten, our scholars learn these same skills at a more foundational level. Kindergarten and first grade teachers ensure that these foundational reading skills transfer to any time scholars are reading independently, as they will grow so much faster when those connections are made.

We strongly recommend that schools and teachers invest in a research-based phonics and decoding curriculum, as it is critical to scholars' success as readers!