## Early Childhood Learning

Cougar Cubby Program	КЗ	K4
Language Arts	Language Arts Develop listening skills during story time, practice comprehension, predicting and retelling skills. Learn to explore, wonder, imagine experiment with language. Learn to listen, follow direction, develop longer attention spans. Learn to recognize and name uppercase letters, identify and write first name. Master ability to repeat parts of songs, rhymes, and sequences, to match, and to participate in finger plays.	Language Arts Recognize upper/lower case letters, learn letter sounds and letter formations, practice listening, sequencing and matching skills, develop oral language, discriminate between the auditory/visual, classify, develop listening comprehension skills, learn to express feelings with words, be exposed to nursery rhymes, songs, poems, and keep daily journals.
Mathematics	Mathematic Readiness Skills Experience informal opportunities through games, toys, another manipulative which foster development of concepts, such as special relations, shapes, patterns, counting numbers beyond 30, and measurements. Learn to count objects with a one-to-one correspondence and to understand the difference in size. Learn to sort and compare	<b>Mathematics</b> Write numbers to 20, count beyond 50, classify, compare, have number readiness, practice use of numbers in everyday living, identify and duplicate patterns, complete a series, learn calendar skills, order numbers.
Social Studies	<b>Social Studies</b> Learn about holidays, transportation, current events, safety, and community helpers. Develop an understanding of self and respect for others.	<b>Social Studies</b> Learn about holidays, transportation, Native Americans, safety, community helpers, patriotism, character development, and family.
Science	<b>Science</b> Learn to recognize objects and colors in the environment. Demonstrate the concepts of curiosity. Be able to give simple predictions. Learn about plants, animals, and weather.	Science Understand basic areas of science, including units on insects, birds, animals, health and food, weather and seasons, and colors.

## **Curriculum Enrichment Areas**

In addition to the curriculum listed above, students in these grades have weekly classes in library, music art drama, Spanish, and physical education. Enrichment classes are taught by highly qualified teachers who specialize in their fields. Early Childhood Learning students also benefit from emotional, social physical development and self-help skills. Self-help skills include ease of separation from parents, respect of property, independence in taking care of personal property, sharing, and taking turns. The Early Childhood Learning program also develops gross and fine motor skills and introduces the concept of homework .