



# CURRICULUM NIGHT 2023-2024

Kindergarten

**SIMUL NOS FORTES**  
  
**TOGETHER,**  
**WE ARE STRONG**



A blue pennant with a white silhouette of a griffin on the left and the word "GRIFFINS" in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters on the right.

**GRIFFINS**

## POD A

- **MRS. FLEGER**
- **MS. JORDAN**
- **MS. SOUDER**
- **MRS. ABUNASSAR**



## POD B

- **MRS. HATHAWAY**
- **MS. RAY**
- **MRS. KENDRO**
- **MS. WHEELER**

**Meet Your Team!**

Arlington Classics Academy is a public charter school dedicated to...

**Our Mission:** to equip a diverse student body with a comprehensive education, including a special focus on Western civilization. Students will develop a commanding knowledge of the origins of our liberty and the ability to sustain it through moral leadership. We aim to accomplish this goal through a high level of academic instruction and high behavioral expectations.



**Our Vision:** to be an educational institution of academic excellence that provides a college preparatory, liberal arts curriculum delivered through a classical style of instruction.

**Knowledge for a Lifetime**

# CURRICULUM

What makes  
ACA  
unique?

TEKS

(Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills)

English Language Arts, Math, Science, Social  
Studies

PE, Art, Music, Technology

**PLUS**

Spanish

Core Knowledge Literature

CK History & Geography (K-5)

CK Fine Arts (K-5)

Greek & Latin Roots (3-5)

Executive Function (6-8)

# Arlington Classics Academy Academic Outline 2022-2023

## Knowledge for a Lifetime

High School Credit

	K	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	
English Language Arts and Reading	Developing Foundational Language Skills			Sustaining Foundational Language Skills						
	Oral Language, Print Concepts, Vocabulary, Reading Fluency, Reading Comprehension, Text Analysis, Response Skills <b>Core Knowledge Poetry, Fiction, Sayings &amp; Phrases</b>						Oral Language, Vocabulary, Reading Fluency, Reading Comprehension, Text Analysis, Response Skills <b>Core Knowledge Poetry, Fiction, Sayings &amp; Phrases</b>			
	Phonological Awareness & Single-Syllable Phonics	Polysyllabic Decoding and Morphology	<b>Morphology: Latin &amp; Greek Roots</b>							
	D'Nealian Handwriting	Cursive Handwriting								
	Grammar and Composition									
History and Geography	Core Knowledge History and Geography						World Cultures and Geography	Texas History	American Republic up to 1877	
	Community, State, National Heritage and Citizenship			Texas History	US History					
Math	<b>Mathematics</b> Number and Operations, Algebraic Reasoning, Geometry and Measurement, Data Analysis, and Financial Literacy						<b>Telescoped Mathematics</b> Combined 6th/7th TEKS  CPM Courses 1 & 2	<b>Telescoped Mathematics</b> Combined 7th/8th TEKS  CPM Courses 2 & 3	Algebra I PAP  CPM Course CCA	

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Science	<b>General Science</b> Investigation and Reasoning, Force, Motion and Energy, Earth and Space, Organisms and Environment						<b>Telescoped Physical Science &amp; Earth Science</b>  Combined 6th/8th TEKS	<b>Telescoped Life Science</b>  Combined 7th/8th TEKS	Biology I PAP	
Language	Immersion Spanish						Intro to Spanish	Spanish I	Spanish II	
Fine Arts	<b>Core Knowledge Fine Arts</b> Music and Art						Music, <b>Music Appreciation</b> , Band, Choir, <b>Choir 1</b> , Art, <b>Art 1</b> , <u>Theatre</u> , <u>Theatre Arts 1</u> , Journalism, Entrepreneurship, Rocket Science, <b>Speech [0.5 Credit]</b> , <b>Computer Science</b> , Logic			
Physical Education	Physical Education						<b>(8<sup>th</sup> grade PE [2 – 0.5 credits])</b>			
Lifelong Learning, Citizenship, & Collaboration Skills	<b>Foundations</b> Respectful, Responsible, Safe, Problem Solver			<b>ACA's Four Pillars</b> Wisdom, Vigilance, Courage, and Strength			<b>Middle School Seminar Course</b> <b>Executive Function &amp; Organization</b> <b>Leadership Skills</b> <b>High School/College Readiness</b> <b>Collaboration, Communication, &amp; Academic Discourse</b> <b>Middle School Mantra</b>			
Technology	<b>Technology Applications</b> Creativity & Innovation, Communication & Collaboration, Research & Information Fluency, Critical Thinking, Problem Solving & Decision Making, Digital Citizenship, and Technology Operations & Concepts									

# CURRICULUM

What's exciting  
about  
Kindergarten?

*Some exciting units from  
the TEKS & Core  
Knowledge include but  
are not limited to:*

- *Evolution of Technology*
- *Explorers & Native Americans*
- *Holidays around the World*
- *Plant/Animal Unit*
- *Founding Fathers of the United States*
- *U.S. Historical Landmarks*
- *Human Body*
- *Continents around the World*



# INSTRUCTION: What sets us apart?

- Classical Style of Instruction
- College Preparatory
- Personalized Learning





# ACA's Three Legged Stool Approach to Partnership

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**Shorten any part of the stool  
and it will wobble.**

**Remove any leg  
and it will not stand.**

**All three legs represent people  
that are key to the student's success.**

**ACA will work to provide  
the opportunity, access and resources  
for the school, student and parent  
to work together and  
help the student achieve.**



# INSTRUCTIONAL DAY

## A DAY IN KINDERGARTEN

7:00 - *Students enter building*

7:35 - *Students enter classrooms*

7:40 - *Announcements*

7:45 - *Class instruction starts*

9:10 - *Pod A Specials / Pod B PE*

10:05 - *Pod A Lunch / Pod B Recess*

10:40 - *Pod A Recess / Pod B Lunch*

11:45 - *Pod A PE / Pod B Specials*

12:30 - *Class instruction*

2:45 - *Pack up for Dismissal*

3:05 - *Dismissal*

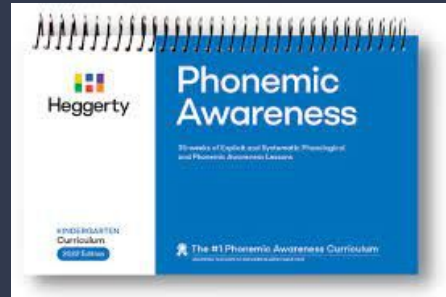
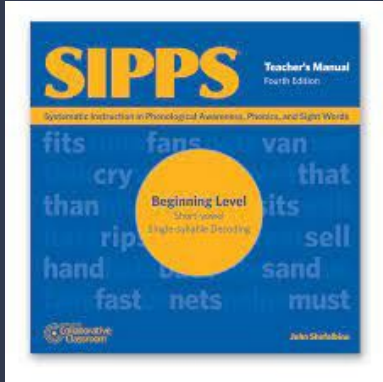
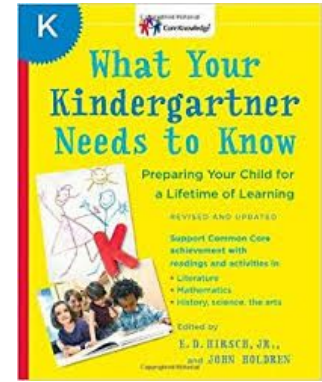
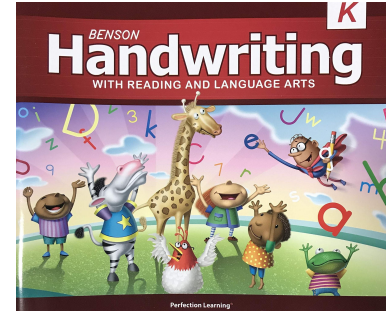
*Instruction time includes math, language arts, guided reading, science, social studies and all other curriculum.*

# HOMework

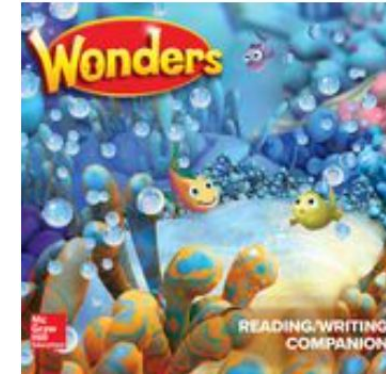
## **Your child will have nightly homework including:**

- *Reading a book nightly to ensure they are reading at grade level through the year. There will be comprehension and fluency grades throughout the year.*
- *Studying about 15 sight words per month.*
- *Studying 10 spelling words per week starting in October.*
- *Memorizing one poem per month.*
- *Studying for the weekly science or social studies test.*
- *Completing a project every nine weeks.*
- *Optional homework in Red Folder:*
  - *Monthly Homework Menu*
  - *Monthly Reading Log*
  - *Monthly Spelling Menu*
  - *Monthly Skill Focus*

# INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES



Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee  
Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk  
Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp  
Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu  
Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz



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# ASSESSMENT

Amplify, MAP, and STAAR  
Language Proficiency Testing for  
English Learners

**Amplify:** Early Reading Instrument & Dyslexia  
Screening for K-1

- Administered BoY, MoY, EoY
- Fluency Measures

**NWEA MAP:** Growth Measure

- Administered BoY, MoY, EoY
- K-8 Math, 1-8 Reading, 3-8 Science
- Computer-adaptive

**STAAR:** State Assessment

- Administered EoY: May
- 3-8 Reading, Math
- 5 Science
- 8 Social Studies
- 8 Algebra I, Biology EoC exams

**TELPAS:** State Assessment

- Administered in Spring
- Language Proficiency Measure for English Learners

Thank you for  
making this time  
with us tonight a  
priority!

We look forward  
to partnering with  
you for your  
student's success!

