Bridgman Elementary School

KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM

While the Bridgman Elementary Kindergarten Program is academic, we stress the development of the whole child. Students will be required to use their minds and bodies together. Gross motor skills (running, jumping, etc.) will be used in conjunction with fine motor skills (coloring, cutting, writing). These are indicators of future academic readiness.

Language Arts:

- No Excuse Rules -
 - Finger-spacing
 - Sound spelling
 - Beginning sentences with a capital letter

Zoo-Phonics --

- Recognize upper & lower case letters
- Produce letter sounds
- o Blending
- o Segmenting
- Demonstrate auditory and visual discrimination
- Use listening skills
- Speak in clear sentences
- Express thoughts and feelings in a variety of ways: speaking, writing & fine arts
- Write name
- Participate in class discussion
- Identify and produce rhymes
- Recognize sight words (Dolch sight words lists)
- Utilize left to right, top to bottom progressions
- Realize that print has meaning
- Track print
- Identify the parts of a book

Aesthetic:

- Demonstrate sensory awareness
- Use movement and music to express thoughts and feelings

Mathematics:

- "Everyday Mathematics" Program
 - o Oral counting to 100
 - Number recognition to 100
 - Match amount to numbers (1-20)
 - Identify geometric shapes
 - Identify patterns
 - Positional words
 - Understanding of more/less, most/least
 - Simple addition & subtraction
- Demonstrate sequencing
- Sort
- Daily Calendar Activities
 - Days of the week
 - Months of the year
 - o Yesterday, today, tomorrow
 - o Morning afternoon, night
 - o Days of school
 - Lunch Graph
- Clock time to the hour
- Seasons and Weather

Physical:

- Hop, skip, balance, catch and throw a ball
- Tie shoes, zip jackets
- Work left to right, top to bottom
- Coordinate finger-thumb and eye-hand movement by manipulating school tools (i.e. cutting, gluing, copying)
- Demonstrate appropriate orientation in space
- Understand personal and general space and direction
- Demonstrate an awareness expression through movement

Health:

- Use personal hygiene
- Identify body parts

Science - Battle Creek Science Curriculum

- Five Senses
- Motion
- My Earth
- Is it Living?

Cognitive/Processing Skills:

- Distinguish fact from fantasy
- Utilize critical thinking
- Utilize problem solving strategies
- Draw conclusions
- Use computers and other forms of technology
- Apply knowledge in new settings

Social Studies - MAISA

- Holiday units (studies/activities)
- Scholastic Publication "Let's Find Out"

Lifelong Learning Skills:

- Demonstrate self-discipline & assume responsibility for their actions
- Make decisions
- Ask for help when needed
- Show respect for themselves and others; use appropriate manners
- Demonstrate self-confidence and show a willingness to take a risk, make a mistake
- Possess a positive attitude
- Strive for self-improvement
- Relate and cooperate with adults and peers
- Work independently
- Work in groups as assigned by others and/or groups of their own choosing
- Begin, pursue and complete tasks independently

Additional Curriculum:

- Music
- Art
- Physical Education
- Library
- Computer Lab

BRIDGMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM



MISSION OF THE DISTRICT

"The Bridgman Public School Community will provide opportunities for life-long learning"

BRIDGMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

"Bridgman Elementary School is committed to providing a learning environment that cultivates academic, physical; social and emotional growth of young children, while building the foundation for life-long learning.

Bridgman Elementary School staff, parents and community help our students develop the skills necessary to become competent, compassionate, respectful and responsible individuals who encourage one another to succeed in today's global society."

KINDERGARTEN SCHEDULE:

Building Opens.........7:25 a.m.
Classroom Opens......7:35 a.m.
Tardy Bell..........7:45 a.m.
School Ends.........2:50 p.m.
Office Closes.......3:30 p.m.

Half Day Dismissal - 11:10 a.m. PLC Early Dismissal - 12:50 p.m.

2-HOUR DELAY SCHEDULE:

- NO Breakfast will be served on 2-hour delay days
- Lunch schedule remains the same

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BRIDGMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Kindergarten Program

(A full-day academic program)



"Together, challenging our children to succeed"