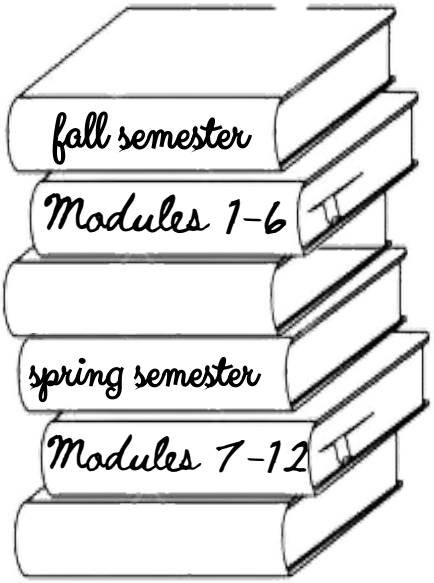
First Grade English Language Arts

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course objectives

Students in first grade will:

- Demonstrate the ability to read grade-level texts with accuracy and fluency.
- Understand key ideas and details in literature.
- Identify key ideas, character, and settings in stories and informational texts.
- Use phonics and word recognition strategies to decode unfamiliar words.
- Demonstrate understanding of spoken language by responding to questions and participating in discussions.
- Produce clear and coherent writing, including opinion pieces, narratives, and informative/explanatory texts.



Grades

Grades can be found In Powerschool.

You may login to view your child's grade at any time.

COMMUNICATION

First grade can be contacted through Class Dojo or email.

If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your child's grade, please contact your child's teacher.

grading categories

Students are assessed with weekly reading, spelling, and comprehension tests, as well as participation and Dibels benchmarks.

Course Overview:

Students in first grade will embark on a journey to develop foundational literacy skills. We will focus on reading fluency, comprehension, vocabulary, phonics, writing, speaking, and listening. First grade ELA/Reading is designed to help students become confident, enthusiastic readers and communicators.

Expectations

- Be respectful and kind to others.
- Stay on task and give your best effort.
- Ask for help when you need it.
- Complete all assignments on time.
- Follow directions and classroom rules.

CURRICULUM

Into Reading
Houghton-Mifflin Harcourt

ARTS

- Andy Goldsworthy
- Stage Directions
- Andy Warhol
- Wassily Kandinsky
- Watercolors
- Primary & Secondary colors



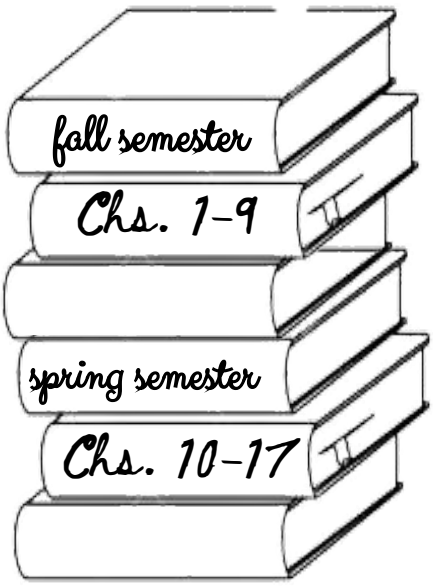
First Grade Math

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course objectives

Students in first grade will:

- Demonstrate an understanding of addition and subtraction within 20.
- Build number sense with whole numbers and understand place value up to 120.
- Learn to solve problems involving addition and subtraction.
- Understand basic shapes, their attributes, and simple geometric relationships
- Explore measurement, telling time, and working with money.
- Begin to collect, organize, and interpret data.



Grades

Grades can be found in Powerschool.

You may login to view your child's grade at any time.

COMMUNICATION

First grade can be contacted through Class Dojo or email.

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Course Overview:

This course provides students with foundational mathematical concepts aligned with the Pennsylvania Common Core standards. Using the *Go-Math!* Curriculum, students will engage in hands-on activities, problem-solving, and collaborative learning to build a strong base in number sense, operations, measurement, geometry, money, and data interpretation.

grading categories

Students are assessed with end of chapter tests as well as class participation and Dibels benchmarks.

Expectations

- Be respectful and kind to others.
- Stay on task and give your best effort.
- Ask for help when you need it.
- Complete all assignments on time.
- Follow directions and classroom rules.

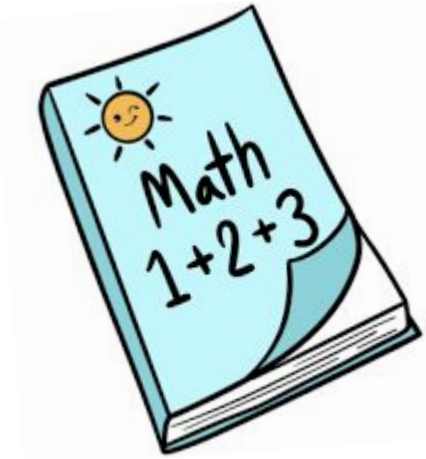
CURRICULUM

Go Math

Houghton-Mifflin Harcourt

ARTS

- Andy Warhol
- Piet Mondrian
- Element of Value in 2D/3D Shapes
- Element of Lines
- Primary colors
- Pop-Art



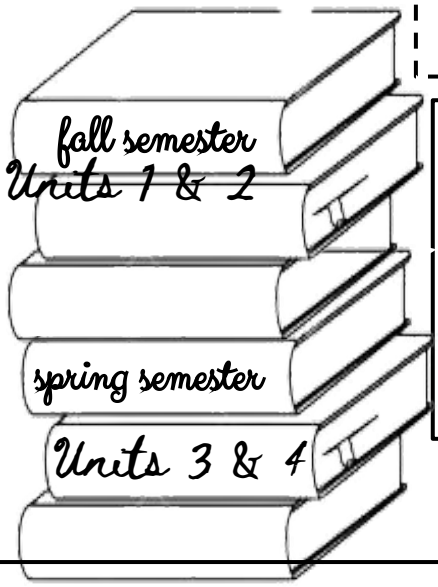
First Grade Science

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course objectives

Students in first grade will:

- Develop and understanding of key scientific concepts through exploration and inquiry
- Apply scientific practices such as asking questions, making predictions, conducting experiments, and communicating results
- Explore relationships between living things, their environments, and physical phenomena such as light, sound, and weather
- Engage in cross-cutting concepts to connect science to real-world experiences



Grades

Grades can be found In Powerschool.

You may login to view your child's grade at any time.

these skills will be an ongoing process throughout the year

COMMUNICATION

First grade can be contacted through Class Dojo or email.

If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your child's grade, please contact your child's teacher.

Course Overview:

This course will follow the *Inspire Science* curriculum, which integrates hands-on activities, investigations, and engineering challenges to spark curiosity in young students. Aligned with the Pennsylvania Common Core Standards, students will develop foundational knowledge of life science, earth science, physical science, and engineering through inquiry-based learning.

grading categories

Students will be assessed through various activities including **classwork** and **participation** in daily class. Activities include hands on learning, STEM activities, and project based learning.

Expectations

- Be respectful and kind to others.
- Stay on task and give your best effort.
- Ask for help when you need it.
- Complete all assignments on time.
- Follow directions and classroom rules.

CURRICULUM

Inspire Science
McGraw Hill

ARTS

- Tyree Guyton
- Warm & Cool colors
- Andy Goldsworthy



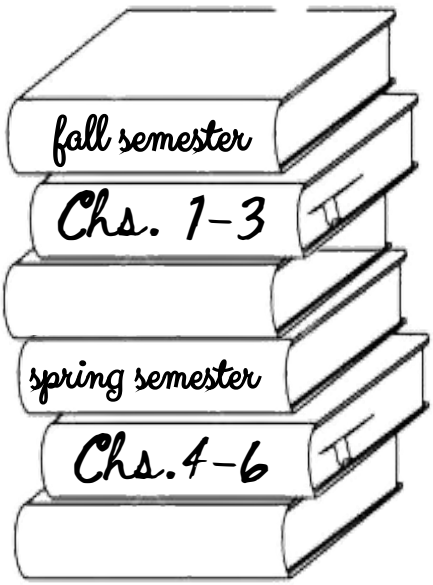
First Grade Social Studies

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course objectives

Students in first grade will:

- Understand what it means to be a part of a community and practice good citizenship
- Learn about rules, laws, and the role of government in maintaining order and safety
- Explore geography, including maps, landforms, and the basic features of the world
- Recognize important historical figures and national symbols that represent our country's values
- Develop and understanding of how people live and work together in communities



Grades

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these skills will be an ongoing process throughout the year

COMMUNICATION

First Grade can be contacted through Class Dojo or email.

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Course Overview:

The first grade Social Studies course is designed to introduce students to foundational concepts in history, geography, civics, and economics. Through engaging lessons, interactive activities, and multimedia resources from the *My World Interactive* curriculum, students will develop a sense of community, citizenship, and an understanding of the world around them. The course will foster critical thinking, problem-solving, and social skills, aligned with Pennsylvania's academic standards for Social Studies.

grading categories

Students will be assessed through various activities including **classwork** and **participation** in daily class. Activities include hands on learning, STEM activities, and project based learning.

Expectations

- Be respectful and kind to others.
- Stay on task and give your best effort.
- Ask for help when you need it.
- Complete all assignments on time.
- Follow directions and classroom rules.

CURRICULUM

myWorld Interactive
SAVVAS

ARTS

- Tony Sarge (Balloons Over Broadway)
- Alma Thomas
- Jean-Michel Basquiat
- Various Black History Month figures

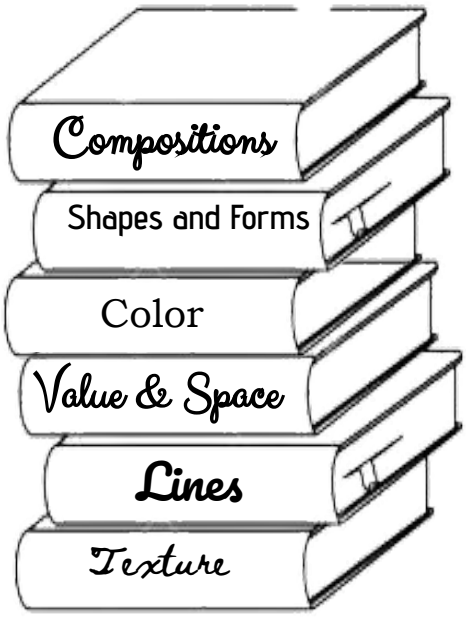


First Grade Art

with Ms. Hack
dawn.hack@badenacademy.org

course objectives

Students in first grade will learn about the color wheel and focus on the elements and principles of art. Art projects will be integrated with their Social Studies, Math, ELA and Science classes whenever possible.



GRADES

Students will receive one of the following:

P- Progressing
MS- Meets Standards
ES- Exceeds Standards

Grades are based on effort, execution, creativity.

COMMUNICATION

Ms. Hack can be contacted through Class Dojo or email. If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your grade, please contact me.

Some of the things we will practice: art vocabulary, drawing, tracing, cutting and gluing to make a collage, patterns, watercolor, weaving, Poinitillism, clay work, stamping, etching, chalk, collaboration projects and tempera painting

HIGHLIGHTED ARTISTS:

Wassily Kandinsky

Pablo Picasso

Georges Seurat

Yayoi Kusama

Claude Monet

Vincent Van Gogh

Georgia O'Keefe



First Grade P.E.

with Mr. Kraemer
tim.kraemer@badenacademy.org



COURSE OBJECTIVES

Build on basic locomotor skills, focusing on balance, coordination, and movement control. Use pursuit-and-evade games to work on speed and direction changes, and mini-volleyball to practice teamwork and tracking. Continue reinforcing foundational skills such as throwing, kicking, and catching, with activities that encourage safe play and cooperation. Incorporate jump rope and simple net/wall games to promote spatial awareness and rhythm.

GRADES

For their overall evaluation and assessment, students will see a grade on their report card at the end of the second and fourth semester and will receive one of the following over grades:

- **ES** = Exceeds Standards
- **MS** = Meets Standards
- **P** = Proficient
- **NI** = Needs Improvement

COMMUNICATION

Mr. Kraemer can be contacted through Class Dojo or email. If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your grade, please contact me.

Please graciously allow 24 hours for me to get back to you about any questions/concerns you have. If you don't hear back from me, please try again. Occasionally, things get lost in the shuffle.

GRADING CATEGORIES

Grades are based on the following:

- Being **READY** for class (on time in proper gym clothing and running shoes)
- **PARTICIPATING** in the games and activities
- Showing their best best **EFFORT**
- Having a positive and good **ATTITUDE**
- Demonstrating good, kind and respectful **BEHAVIOR**





FILMS

Short clips or YouTube videos, may be shown in this class to help our visual learners with whatever skill, activity or game is taught.

FOOD

Food is not allowed in the gymnasium and this includes gum.

Water is permitted in the gymnasium during class and we highly encourage students to bring their own water bottles to stay well hydrated throughout the class.

First Grade Health

with Mr. Kraemer
tim.kraemer@badenacademy.org

course objectives

This year, students will be exploring how their bodies work and learning essential ways to care for them. Through engaging lessons, they will gain a deeper understanding of their body's functions and discover healthy habits that will help them grow strong and stay well.



Grades

Grades will be given twice a year during the second and fourth quarter report cards.

COMMUNICATION

Mr. Kraemer can be contacted through Class Dojo or email.

If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your grade, please contact me.

grading categories

Physical fitness and hygiene, nutrition, bones and muscles, winter safety, emotions, and the heart.

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

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film

Films, or clips of films, may be shown in this class.

food

Food is not permitted during class.

latework

PERFORMANCE TASKS

Discussion based assessment tasks.

COURSEWORK

Games and worksheets will be completed during class.

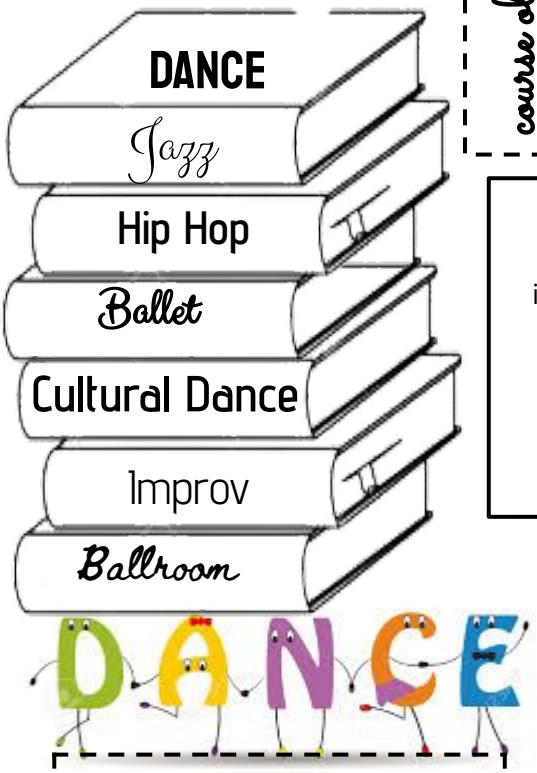


First Grade Dance

with Ms. Noz
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course objectives

Second-grade students will explore various dance styles, such as jazz and cultural dance, to learn about different cultures and how movement can express ideas and emotions. They will enhance their coordination and motor skills through engaging and active dance activities, while also being introduced to potential careers in dance by trying forms like ballet, hip hop, and folk dance. Dance styles like ballroom and modern contemporary, along with creative storytelling through movement, will deepen their understanding and enjoyment of these new concepts.



Grades

Dance grades will be incorporated into their overall Physical Education grade, seamlessly blending their progress in dance with their development in physical movement and coordination.

COMMUNICATION

Ms. Noz can be contacted through Class Dojo or email.

If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your grade, please contact me.

grading categories

Participation, Movement skills, Rhythm and Timing, Creativity Expression, Cultural Understanding, Collaboration

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film

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food

Food is **not** permitted during dance class.

lateswork

PERFORMANCE TASKS	COURSEWORK
Class performance	Warm-Up Exercises
Reflection	Movement Patterns
Improv activity	Dance Genre Exploration
	Cultural Connections
	Creative Movement



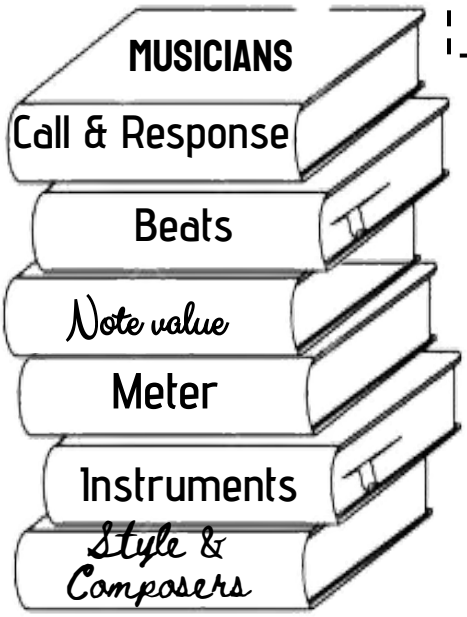
First Grade Music

with Mrs. Smith
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with Mr. Garee
sean.garee@badenacademy.org

course objectives

Students will explore music through steady beat, call and response songs, expression, classroom instruments, and performance.



GRADES

Students will see a grade on their report card at the end of each semester using a NI (needs improvement), P (proficient), MS (meet standards), or ES (exceeds standards) for evaluation.

COMMUNICATION

Mrs. Smith can be contacted through Class Dojo or email. If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your grade, please contact me.

grading categories

Students are evaluated by visual and aural assessment during music class.

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

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film

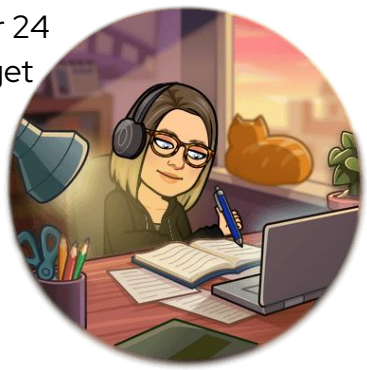
Films, or clips of films, may be shown in this class.

food

Food is not allowed in the music classroom. Water bottles filled with water only are allowed.

OFFICE HOURS

Please use DOJO or email and allow for 24 hours for me to get back to you!





First Grade Spanish

with Señora Correa
gloria.correa@badenacademy.org

course objectives

Students will explore Spanish language and culture with basic words and useful phrases, songs, hands-on activities, and peer interaction through steady repetition and practice, and getting information on aspects of Spanish culture and traditions.



Grades

Students will see a grade on their report card at the end of each semester using an ES (exceeds standards), MS (meets standards), P (proficient), NI (needs improvement) for evaluation.

COMMUNICATION

Mrs. Correa -Señora- can be contacted through Class Dojo or email. If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your grade, please contact me.

grading categories

Students are evaluated by visual and aural assessment when repeating the Spanish words as we learn, by participating and showing effort in their work during Spanish class.

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

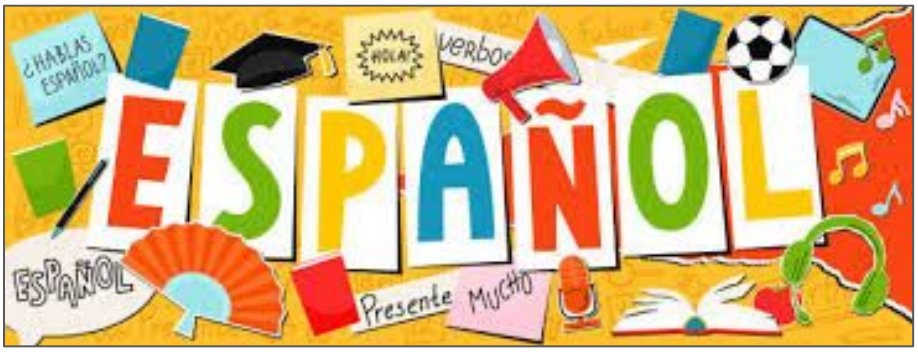
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film

Films, or clips of films in Spanish may be shown in this class.

food

Food is not allowed during Spanish class. Only water bottles filled with water are allowed.



OFFICE HOURS

Please, use DOJO or email for communication, and allow for 24 hours for me to get back to you. Thank you.



First Grade Theater

with Ms. Cat
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course objectives

Students explore the basic fundamentals of acting, and how actors use their imaginations to bring characters on paper to life for an audience. Students act and perform scene work with partners, as well as play in improvisational skits.Students journey through the different stages of theatre history.



GRADES

Students will see a grade on their report card at the end of each semester using a NI (needs improvement), P (proficient), MS (meet standards), or ES (exceeds standards) for evaluation.

COMMUNICATION

Mr. Gallagher/Ms. Cat can be contacted through Class Dojo or email.

If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your grade, please contact me.

grading categories

Students are evaluated by practice and performance and will be assessed on the following criterias;participation in class, and knowledge of vocabulary/content.

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

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film

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food

Food and drink is not permitted in the auditorium at any time. Water bottles may be kept outside the auditorium.



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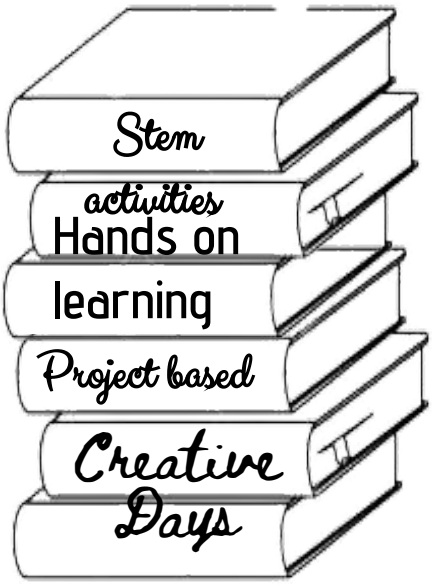
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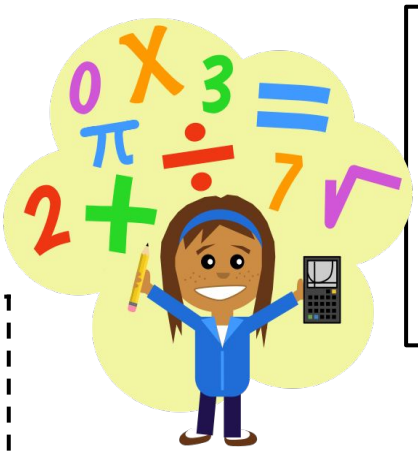
ENRICHMENT

Enrichment

with Mrs. Walaan
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Enrichment groups are based off benchmark assessments, teacher input, and classroom grades. Teachers review data and groups are subject to change based on student need. Each grade level meets four times per week for 30 minutes. I work closely with grade level teachers to ensure that students are being engaged and challenged through higher level activities, projects, STEM activities, and the arts. All academic areas are incorporated into lessons but the main focus lies with reading and math.





COMMUNICATION

Email: karie.walaan@badenacademy.org

- I am listed on all classroom teachers Dojo.
- I will respond within 24 hours unless otherwise noted.

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Cheating will not be tolerated. Cheating occurs whenever a student attempts to take credit for someone else's effort, that includes copying or paraphrasing from the internet. In this class, the students will learn how to cite sources they use for a project.

film Films, or clips of films, may be shown in this class.

Come to class ready to learn, engaged, and full of curiosity!

CURRICULUM

Reading:
HMH Into Reading.

Math:
Go Math.

