



2025

Summer Programming Update



This Year

Summer school was rising grade
Incoming Kindergarten students joined us

Lunch was provided

Library was added at LMS

We had a space theme and STEM Thursdays!



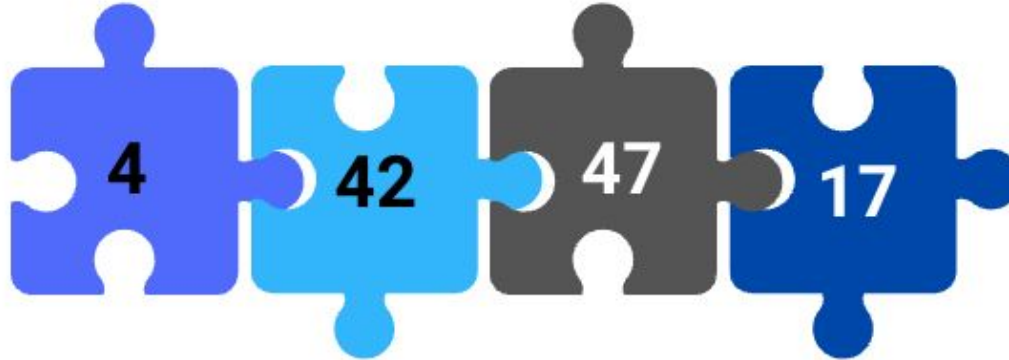
Staffing

WE'RE ALL IN.

Administrators

SS/ESY

Paraprofessionals



SS Certified Staff

ESY Certified Staff



- Approximately 400 students enrolled K-8
- Attendance Rate: 87%
- 40 were incoming Kindergarten Students!

★ Student Enrollment & Attendance



★ Priorities ★

1. Create a safe and enjoyable learning environment
2. Prepare students academically for the year to come
3. Differentiate to support remediation, enrichment, and language development
4. Incorporate science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics





Kindergarten

- Focused on non-academic school readiness skills
- Reading foundational skills
 - English and Spanish in dual classrooms
- Math fluency and problem solving
- Space-themed read alouds
- STEM activities on Thursdays
- Take-home bags each week!





Kindergarten Readiness



1. Pre/post assessment in reading and math
2. 100% of students made improvements
3. Focus on English letter names and letter sounds
 - a. Goal: Name 18 uppercase letters and 15 lowercase letters
4. 64% of students met or exceeded this goal at the end of summer.
 - a. They are ready for Kindergarten!



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Name _____

This is how I write my name: _____

English Literacy Progress Report

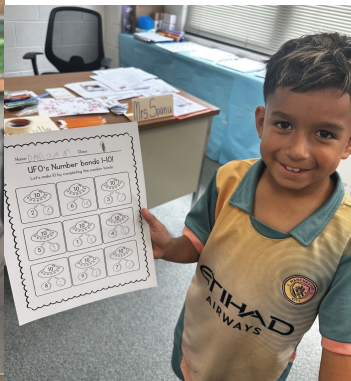
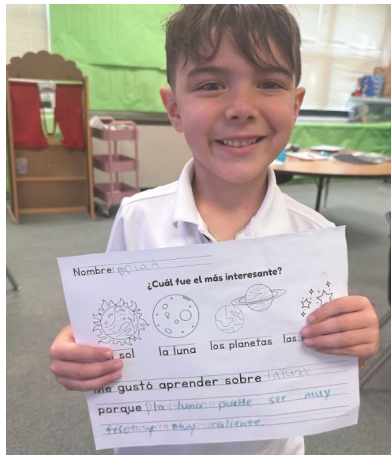
Letter Names: Recognize and name all upper and lower case letters of the alphabet.	A	a	B	b	C	c	D	d	E	e	F	f	G	g	H	h	I	i
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	S	s	T	t	U	u	V	v	W	w	X	x	Y	y	Z	z		
Letter Sounds	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r
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Clave

- + El estudiante domina la destreza
- El estudiante no domina la destreza

Key

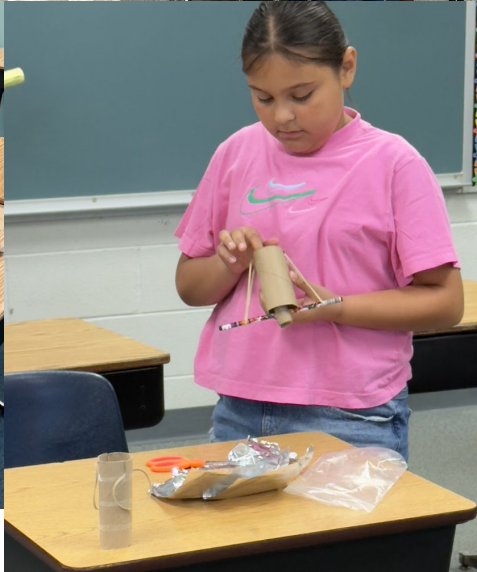
- + Student has mastered the skill.
- Student has not mastered the skill yet.



1st - 2nd Grade

- Prioritized reading and math foundational skills
- English and Spanish literacy instruction in dual language classrooms
- Space-themed read alouds
- STEM activities each Thursday!





3rd-4th Grade

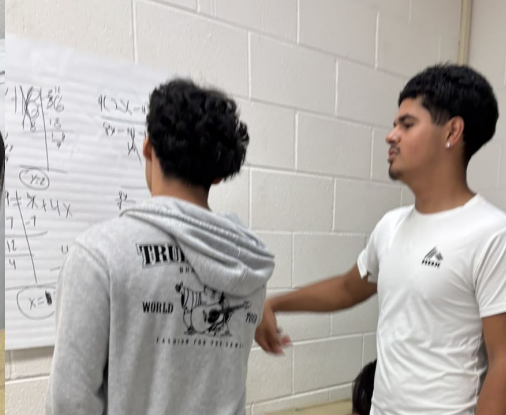
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- STEM activities were provided each Thursday!

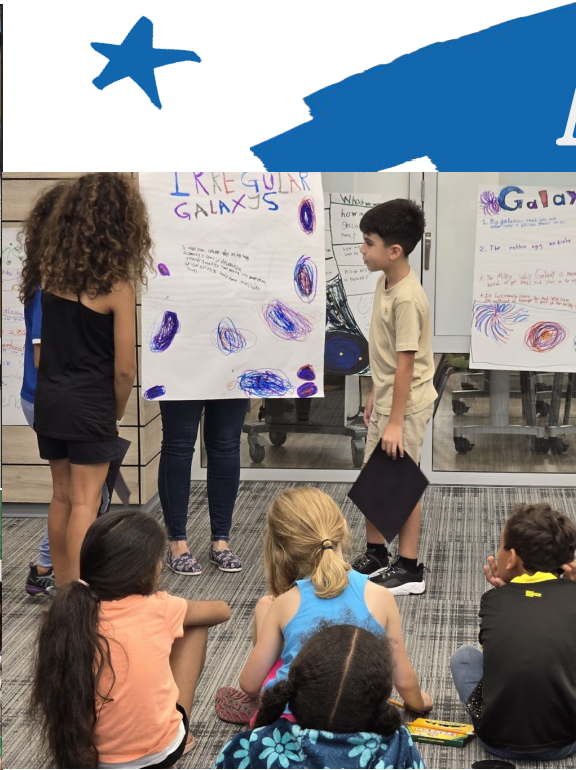
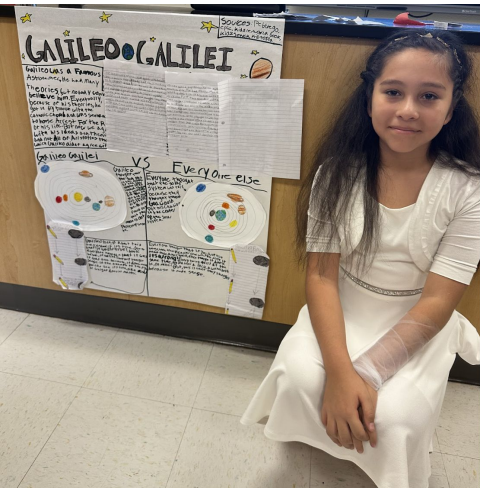




5th-8th Grade

- Focused on reading comprehension and writing aligned to space-themed novels
- Math focus areas were fluency and problem solving
- STEM activities were provided each Thursday!





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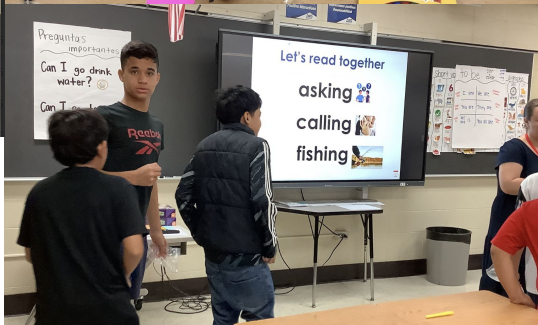
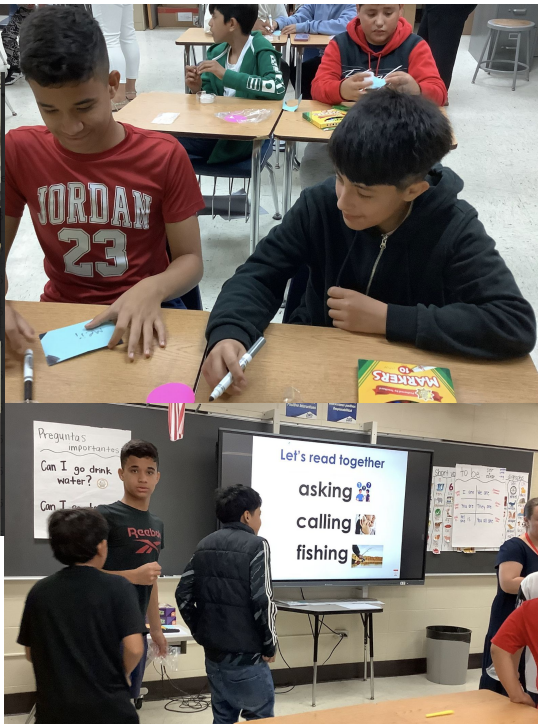
Enrichment

3rd and 4th Grade

- Focused on reading comprehension and writing aligned to space-themed novels
- Math focus areas were fluency and problem solving
- STEM activities were provided each Thursday!

5th-8th Grade

- Shakespeare Amazes!



★ 6-8 Newcomer

- Focused on language development
- STEM activities each Thursday!





Extended School Year

- Focused on making progress toward Individualized goals
- STEM activities each Thursday!





Home Connections

- Weekly parent newsletters
- Kinder: weekly take home bags
- Kinder: reading and math progress reports
- Kiwi Co STEM kits were sent home
- Social media updates were posted



Additional Leman Celebrations



LMS Graduation!

Library

- First year of library check out at LMS
- The library was open each Thursday
 - 122 books were circulated!



Special Guests!

- **Fox Valley Astronomical Society**
 - Solar Observations
- **SciTech**
 - Star Lab
 - STEMshops
 - Prosthetic hands, rocket launches, constellation boxes, and more!
- **College of Dupage**
 - Space Assembly
- **NASA Ambassador: Jeremy Benson**
 - Physics light and sound show
- **NASA Astronaut: Jeanette Epps**
 - Virtual Q&A





Feedback from Staff



“I loved this theme so much that I learned a lot too! I loved that you were able to have the digital star lab here , the observations from outside and also I really enjoyed the astronaut interview!!! She was amazing and I loved her slides with her embedded videos. Thank you for all your hard work and preparation for us to be successful this year!”



“I really enjoyed teaching summer school this year! The Thursday STEM days were for sure a highlight!”

“I always enjoy ESY with these kids.”

“I Loved to see how much our students learned.”

“My Principal led our summer school with finesse and professionalism.”

Feedback from Parents

“He comes home from school every day excited to show me the work he has finished and brought home. Overall, it has been a very positive experience and I feel that he will enter kindergarten with a lot more confidence.”

“My daughter woke up every morning wanting to go to summer school and came home talking about science, math stem activities and loved her summer school teacher.”

“Thank you for a great summer! I didn't mention it yet, but I am very excited to see such a dramatic increase in my son's interest in learning Spanish. I credit that 100% to his participation in summer school in a bilingual classroom, and can't wait to see what he does in kindergarten at Gary!”

“My son is happy to go to "summer camp" every day. He doesn't even call it summer school.”





Feedback from Parents



“___” had a tough time in Kindergarten, her confidence really took a hit, especially with reading and recognizing letters and sight words. Her writing used to just be strings of random letters, and I could tell letter recognition was holding her back from forming real sentences. This summer changed that. Not only did she enjoy going to school, but she made real progress in reading and writing. She’s always been good at math, and now she’s even stronger! I’ve noticed her proudly saying things like “I learned this in school” when we see the moon or when she counts by 10s out of nowhere. Thank you so much to everyone who made this summer a positive, fun experience while supporting her learning.”

“It kept him busy and he enjoyed it. I didn’t have to wake him up once. He would set his alarm and be happy of attending.”

“Thank you to all the staff working in this program for your time love and kindness, for your empathy with kids with special needs, especially who works directly with my boy in ESY and CAPE . Thank you....”

Feedback from Students

My favorite part of summer school was...

"Reading My Teacher is an Alien"

"When we built rockets
that actually went in the
air!"

"My teacher"

"I got to be Lysander in the play!"

"Making new friends"

"When we met an astronaut!"

"4th grade math. 4th
grade math is really
interesting!!"

"Going in the giant star lab and learning
about space."

