SOCIAL STUDIES

- Holidays
- We Belong to Many Groups
- Where We Live
- We all Work Together
- People Make History
- Being a Good Citizen
- People in Time and Place
- Junior Achievement
In the Dallastown Area School District, the curriculum for the elementary level has been developed to match the instruction and assessment procedures that are used in our integrated, mixed-ability classrooms. All three components—curriculum, assessment, and instruction—are continuously modified to provide classroom environments that better meet each student’s individual learning style and instructional level.

Our classroom instruction focuses on a process approach that provides students with opportunities for involvement in their own learning and a more hands-on, participatory environment. A strong and consistent staff development program that focuses on helping staff find effective instructional assessment strategies and techniques for improved student learning has supported the transition over the past decade towards these developmentally appropriate classrooms. As instruction and assessment has changed, so too has the written curriculum.

The intent of the elementary curriculum is to provide a written framework of instruction and assessment that is consistent for each elementary student in the total Dallastown Area School District. The curriculum is never finished, as it changes and evolves based on the needs of our students and our community.

**LANGUAGE ARTS**
- Reading Workshop
- Interactive read aloud
- Shared reading
- Guided reading
- Independent reading
- Writing Workshop
- Speaking and listening
- Word Study
- Listen and follow directions
- Listen and respond to literature through author studies and read aloud opportunities
- Retell a story
- Use comprehension strategies
- Acquire expanded reading and speaking vocabulary
- Produce developed, focused informative, opinion, and narrative pieces with attention to detail and sequence
- Pre-write, draft, and edit writing through a variety of strategies
- Spell high frequency words
- Demonstrate grade-appropriate use of English grammar (capitalization, commas, apostrophes)
- Read with accuracy and fluency

**MATHEMATICS**
- Estimate, approximate round numbers
- Choose and apply computational strategies
- Number patterns
- Add and subtract two digit numbers
- Add and subtract three digit numbers
- Use coins to make up to $1.00
- Create bar graphs, tables and line plots
- Tell and write time up to five minute intervals
- Measure using customary and metric lengths
- Identify geometric attributes and components
- Calculate area of a rectangle

**SCIENCE**
- How the Earth Changes
- Structures and Properties of Matter
- How do Plants and Animals Depend on Each Other
- Electricity
- Safety