## Department of Special Education

Foundations Language Enrichment

# **Program Implementation**

**Program** 

2018 - Kindergarten

2019 - Kindergarten, 1st Grade

2020 - Kdg., 1st & 2nd Grade



#### **Program Rationale**

Students need basic foundational skills in order to access the curriculum at every grade level. Basic concepts, vocabulary and phonemic awareness make up the foundation on which all academic skills are built. Additionally, social language development is a necessary component of language which requires explicit instruction.



An evidence-based, enrichment program, developed and implemented by speech/language pathologists, will ensure that every one of our kindergarten, first, and second grade students receive the skills necessary to demonstrate optimal academic readiness and success with emphasis on pre-reading skills, literacy, and social language development. Each kindergarten through second grade class will receive this enrichment program, for all students, for 30 minutes 2x per week. Differentiated activities will address the individual needs of each student. The program will offer options for enrichment extension, as needed for those students who have mastered the targeted skills.





#### **Program Features:**

- Speech-Language Pathologist delivers enrichment lessons twice weekly
- Standards-based enrichment incorporating evidence-based language development strategies
- Interactive lessons utilizing technology in every classroom to engage students with a variety of learning styles
- Program available in both English and Spanish



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Our mission is to support academic success for all students in grades K-2 through evidence-based strategies that develop foundational skills for literacy.



#### Qualifications of a Speech Language Pathologist

Speech/Language Pathologists (SLP) must complete a Master's Degree. They are licensed through the State of New York. Speech/Language Pathologists also obtain their national certification through the American Speech-Language -Hearing Association (ASHA).



Every student by face and name, every school, every

classroom, to and through Graduation.



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