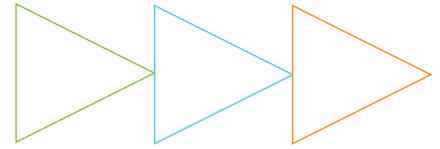


Family Road Map for Second grade



An overview of your child's academic, social and emotional growth, courtesy of Eudora Elementary School

Academic Top 5

Here are some of the things that students learn during their second grade year. If you'd like more details, contact your child's teacher, or visit www.eudoraschools.org/empower to see a generic copy of the second grade report card.

1. **Math:** Measurement, fast facts 0-20, addition and subtraction with regrouping, place value to 1,000 and counting money.
2. **Social studies:** Kansas and American history, citizenship, economics and maps.
3. **Reading:** Exploring and understanding various genres, such as fiction, non-fiction, drama and poetry. Also, rhyming patterns, phonics skills and story elements (setting, plot, main idea and characters).
4. **Writing:** Conventions of writing (mechanics, usage and sentence formation), as well as understanding the narrative, informative and opinion styles of writing. Students practice the writer skills of editing and revising.
5. **Science:** Plant and animal habitats, erosion and properties of matter.

Questions?

If you have questions, or believe your child might benefit from more support in any area of learning and growth, here are some resources:

- **Your student's teacher** is a great first checkpoint if you have questions or concerns about academic progress or experiences at school.
- **Our school principals** are a good resource if you have concerns or questions about your child that extend beyond the classroom or aren't able to be resolved with your child's teacher.
- If your student seems to be struggling with social and emotional skills or is going through a stressful time with family or friends, our **WRAP worker (mental health professional) or school counselors** can help. You can reach these professionals by calling the school office.

Social emotional skills & behavior

Here are some of the developmental skills and phases that are typical at this age:

- Students at this age often go between times of brassy over-confidence and self doubt. It's normal for them to compare themselves to their friends and peers. ("He is better at drawing than I am.") Remind your child that every person has different strengths and weaknesses and that new skills get better and easier with practice.
- Second graders have occasional disagreements with peers. Help your child learn by brainstorming appropriate ways to handle conflict and reminding him or her to try to use kindness and respect in all situations. If your child struggles with making and keeping friends, we can help. Talk to your child's teacher or call the office to learn more.
- Healthy choices in life are so important — and parents are the single biggest influence! Talk about the different things that can be put in a body, including medicine, vitamins, alcohol and other drugs. Remind your child that some medicines and vitamins may seem like candy, but to only take the amount that a doctor or parent provides — and never take something that they find, or that they are given by a friend or stranger.



COOL things about second grade

Second graders are unique! Here are a few of the many things that make this age special...

- Second graders show increasing levels of maturity, allowing teachers to create an ever wider range of learning experiences for students.
- This age brings tremendous curiosity! Second graders have gained enough basic reading and thinking skills to investigate and learn new things independently.
- Second graders become science researchers during the year, including a special research project focused on habitats!
- In partner with Eudora High School agriculture students, A Day On The Farm gives second graders a close-up look at agriculture in action.