ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT (ELD)

April Newsletter

Kindergarten

The unit 7 essential question that Kindergarteners will focus on is *Why do we celebrate people and events?* They will answer this through the following language skills:

- identify and use verbs that show action
- · use adjectives to describe
- identify proper nouns
- write simple sentences with end punctuation



First Grade

In unit 7, first graders will focus on the following language skills as they answer the essential question Why is the past important?

- differentiate between past and present tense
- use proper nouns related to memorials and historic places
- use prepositions
- write sentences with noun and verb agreement
- use appropriate pronouns

Second Grade

In second grade, students will answer the essential question *How does understanding the past shape the future?* as they focus on the following language skills:

- use cause and effect signal words
- use conjunctions to link nouns
- use compound words
- identify and use proper nouns
- understand prepositional phrases



Third Grade

The unit 7 essential question that third graders will focus on is *What is a community?* They will answer this through the following language skills:

- combine and condense ideas
- recognize shifts in verb tense
- use words with the suffixes -er and -or
- understand pronoun and antecedent agreement
- analyze homophones

Fourth Grade

Our 4th graders will examine "How do communities evolve?" in unit 7. They will develop these language skills:



- use subordinate clauses
- sequence events
- use pronouns & adjectives
- expand sentences with adverbs



Transcontinental Railroad

Fifth Grade

Fifth graders will investigate *How does conflict* shape a society? Language skills they will develop include:

- form & use irregular verbs
- use adverbials to add details
- use conjunctions to connect/ideas
- understand & use figurative language

Native Americans in the Revolution



