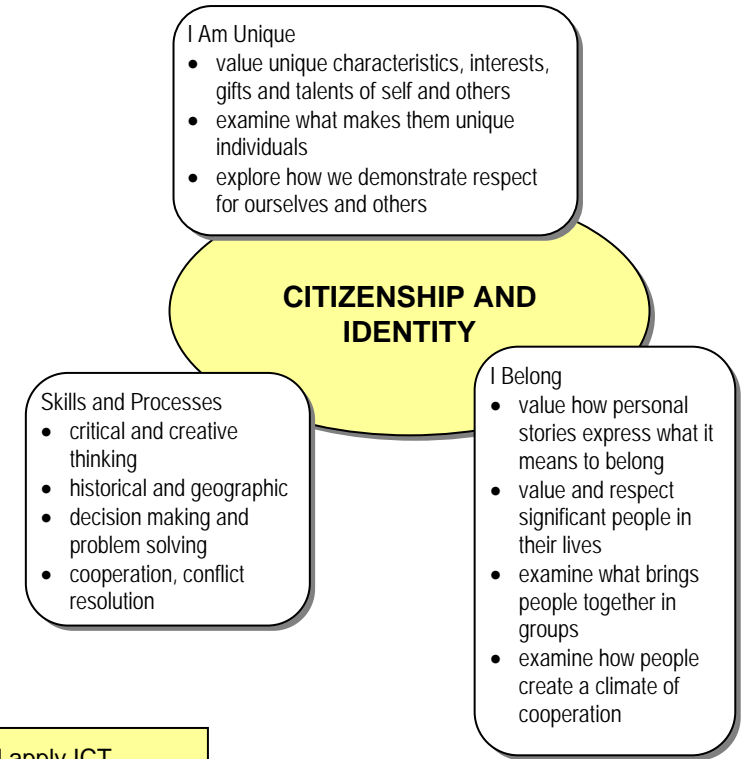
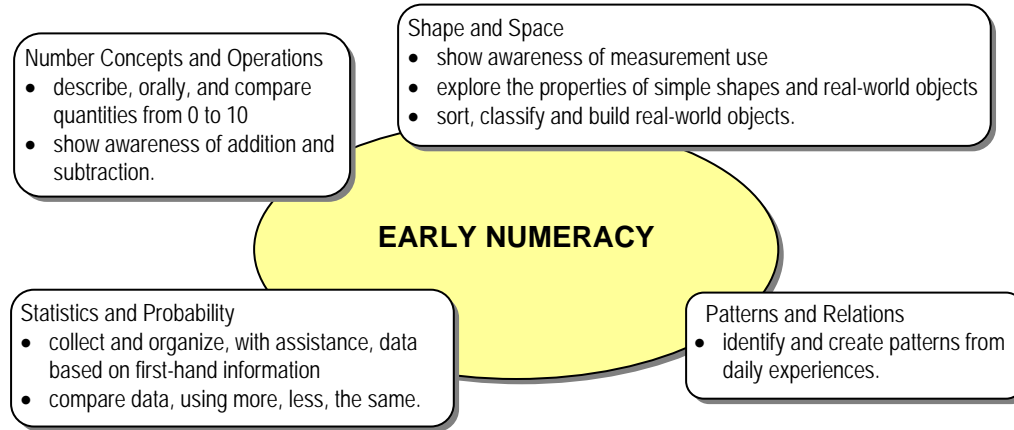
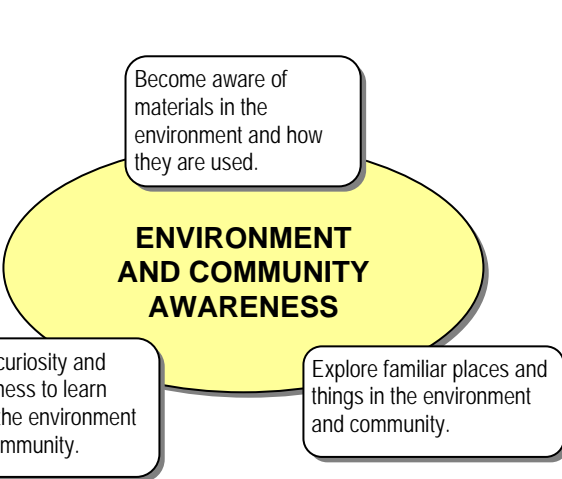


KINDERGARTEN AT-A-GLANCE



INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT). Students learn and apply ICT knowledge and skills while learning in content areas such as language arts, mathematics, science and social studies.

Welcome to Kindergarten

Entering Kindergarten is an exciting time for children. Parents and teachers work together to make the transition from home to school as smooth as possible.



Learning in Kindergarten

The curriculum, or *Kindergarten Program Statement*, is developed by Alberta Education in consultation with early childhood educators. It describes what young children need to learn to prepare for entry into Grade 1, and provides a foundation for later grades. Children accomplish these learnings not only in the Kindergarten program, but also in their homes and communities.

Teachers use the curriculum to plan learning activities that meet the Kindergarten children's needs and abilities, and to assess their progress. The Kindergarten area is a busy and ever-changing place, with a variety of learning centres.

Children with an assessed disability/delay may receive educational programming prior to the Kindergarten year.

Information for Parents

Parents can access information about the Kindergarten program in a variety of ways:

- your child's teacher or school
- Curriculum Summary
- Curriculum Handbook
- the Kindergarten page on the Alberta Education Web site.

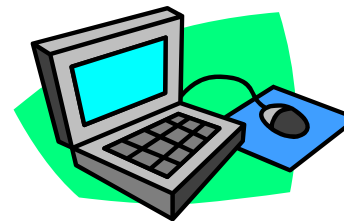
How Can I Help My Child?

- Be involved in the Kindergarten experience as much as you can.
- Keep in contact with your child's teacher so you are both informed about your child's progress and development.
- Talk with your child about their experiences in Kindergarten.
- Encourage your child through at-home activities, such as bedtime reading, listening to music, making decisions by offering choices, practising motor skills such as throwing and catching, drawing, cutting and doing puzzles.

Languages

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| ➤ Blackfoot | ➤ Italian |
| ➤ Chinese (Mandarin) | ➤ Japanese |
| ➤ Cree | ➤ Spanish |
| ➤ French | ➤ Ukrainian |
| ➤ German | ➤ Punjabi |

These languages as well as others may be available at your child's school. For more information, contact the local school board.



Where Can I Get More Information?

- The Alberta Education Web site
<http://www.education.gov.ab.ca>
- Curriculum Branch
Telephone: 780-427-2984
Fax: 780-422-3745
E-mail: curric.contact@edc.gov.ab.ca
- Distributed Learning Resources Branch
Telephone: 780-674-5350
Fax: 780-674-6561
E-mail: DLRB.General@gov.ab.ca
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit Services
Telephone: 780-415-9300
Fax: 780-415-9306
E-mail: asb@gov.ab.ca
- French Language Services Branch
Telephone: 780-427-2940
Fax: 780-422-1947
E-mail: LSB@edc.gov.ab.ca
- Learner Assessment
Telephone: 780-427-0010
Fax: 780-422-4200
E-mail: LA.contact@edc.gov.ab.ca
- Learning and Teaching Resources Branch
Telephone: 780-427-2984
Fax: 780-422-0576
E-mail: curric.contact@edc.gov.ab.ca
- Special Programs Branch
Telephone: 780-422-6326
Fax: 780-422-2039
E-mail: Special.Programs@gov.ab.ca

CURRICULUM SUMMARY

Kindergarten

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