

Third Grade Instructional Minutes by Content Area

Below are the Lansing School District expectations for instructional minutes by content area to maximize daily **bell-to-bell** instruction in your classroom. There are 415 minutes in a school day. The framework below totals 325-355 minutes which leaves time for lunch, recess*, and transitions.

Subject Area	Essential Components	Resources	Minutes	Total Minutes
English Language Arts (ELA)	Advanced Phonics	Amplify CKLA	30	130
	Word Study			
	Fluency		70	
	Vocabulary			
	Comprehension			
Writing	30			
Mathematics	Numeracy Development	Go Math	15	75
	Concept Development		60	
	Skills Practice			
ELA/Math Intervention		95 Percent Group	30	
Science	NGSS Practices	Amplify Science: Inheritance & Traits Balancing Forces Environments & Survival Weather & Climate	30-60 Per day for Science and Social Studies or alternating each day	
	NGSS Disciplinary Core Ideas			
	NGSS Crosscutting Concepts			
	* These essential components are embedded in each lesson			
Social Studies Michigan Studies		Michigan Open Book Project		
Specials (Library, PE, Art, Music)	Library		45	
	American Association of School Library Standards			
	PE			
	K-12 Physical Education Standards			
	Arts and Music			
	Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts Content Expectations			
SEL		See approved list	15	
Assessment Skills / Test Prep		Embedded within Math & ELA Curricular Tools		

*Per Michigan Legislation, recess time is not to exceed 30 minutes per day

Writing: Every Subject, Every Day

Students benefit from using writing across varying subject areas. When students write about what they are learning, they can become more engaged and gain a deeper understanding of new information and concepts. Writing can also help students make connections and think critically.

The Workshop Model



Sample Third Grade Schedule

8:55 - 9:10 AM	Breakfast & SEL
9:10 - 9:40 AM	Word Study & Advanced Phonics
9:40 - 10:50 AM	Amplify CKLA
10:50 - 11:20 AM	Writing
11:20 - 11:40 AM	RECESS
11:40 - 12:30 PM	Math
12:30 - 1:10 PM	LUNCH
1:10 - 1:40 PM	Intervention
1:40 - 2:15 PM	Math
2:15 - 3:10 PM	Science / Social Studies
3:10 - 3:55 PM	DIAFL