

Guidelines for Instructional Minutes

Grades 3-5

Content Area	Instructional Framework	Minutes
Morning Exercises	Attendance, Lunch count	5
Literacy	<p>Core ELA Instruction (Tier 1 – All students) 95 minutes ELA Curriculum Units from <i>Engage New York Expeditionary Learning Units (65-75)</i> Close Readings- as outlined in each unit Narrative, Informational and Argumentative Writing according to ELA Domains <i>Step Up to Writing Materials</i> (in schools where it is available and teachers have been trained to use it) <i>Project Read</i>(Grade 3), <i>Project Read Linguistics</i> (Grades 4-5) (20-30) <i>Fry Words and Phrases</i> <i>From Expeditionary Learning -- ESL: Use “Meeting Student’s Needs” column in each lesson</i></p> <p>ELA Intervention/Enrichment(All students) 45 minutes Centers and Skills-based small group instruction based on <i>DIBELS, QPS, etc. for enrichment or intervention</i> <i>FCRR Activities/SPIRE/Project Read/West Virginia lessons/DANCO phonics/Lexia</i> <i>Readworks.org</i> passages <i>Phoneme Grapheme Mapping</i> <i>Quick Reads/Repeated readings/Frywords/Phrases</i> Comp Toolkit/Explorations in Nonfiction Writing</p>	145 95+45
Mathematics	<p>Teacher Facilitation of Learning (Tier 1 – All Students) 70 minutes Use grade-level Scope and Sequence and Instructional Units aligned to CCSS- <i>Engage NY</i> Fluency Practice (15) Concept Development (25) Application Problems (20) Student Debrief (10) Distribution of instructional minutes may vary based on particular lesson components</p> <p>Math Intervention/Enrichment 20 minutes Centers/Computer Resources, and small group math instruction based on <i>Easy CBM</i> and mid and end of module Assessment results Origo Math Add-vantage Contexts for Learning</p>	90 70+20
Specialists	Art/Library/Music/Physical Education	45
Social Studies/ Science/ Health	<p>EBEC Science Kits and content learning embedded in ELA core instruction</p> <p>Grade 3 <u>Social Studies Topics:</u> Constitution- how government was established, Government- local and federal, Places and Regions, Natural Resources of the US, Cultures and Contributions of groups in North America <u>Science Topics:</u> Sound & Light, Structure of Life, Water</p> <p>Grade 4 <u>Social Studies Topics:</u> Explorers, Civil War, Rhode Island History- including industrialization, Branches of Government- state and local <u>Science Topics:</u> Earth Materials, Electric Circuit, Ecosystems/Environments</p> <p>Grade 5 <u>Social Studies Topics:</u> Pre-Columbian North America, Exploration and Settlement of North America, Colonization of America/American Revolution, Westward Expansion, Declaration of Independence, Constitution, Bill of Rights <u>Science Topics:</u> Floating and Sinking, Structural and Behavior Adaptations (Life Cycle), Layers of the Earth, Fossils/Rock Cycle, Earthquakes and Volcanoes, Sun, Moon and Solar System</p>	45
Non-Instructional Minutes	Recess Lunch	15 25