



Introduction

New ideas are everywhere. In Grade 2, all students take the following required subjects: art, English language arts and literature,* mathematics, music, physical education and wellness, science, and social studies. Students in Francophone schools or French immersion programs take a mandatory French language course.

***Note:** English language arts and literature may have different points of entry in Francophone schools or French immersion programs based on a school authority's decision and/or policy.

Art

Look what I made! In Grade 2, your child will create visual art by using a variety of media and techniques and communicating with visual symbols. Through the four major components of the art program—reflection, depiction, composition, and expression—they will explore form and function and develop decorative styles.

English Language Arts and Literature

What can I share with my classmates? What interesting things can my classmates share with me? By further developing skills in listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing, and representing, your child will create their own stories and add excitement by saying certain words louder or with a different pitch.

Mathematics

I'm using mathematics to solve problems. Your child will count money and learn to estimate. They will measure and compare lengths, analyze shapes, and construct and interpret graphs.

Music

I'm making music! Your child will create their own music for poems and songs. They will see how melodies rise and fall

and understand that a rhythm can be paired with a melody. They will sing a variety of songs; move to music, poetry, and stories; and read simple printed symbols.

Physical Education and Wellness

I feel energized when I move my body! Your child will learn how to eat based on food guidelines, learn how to be as active as they can, and discover how to strengthen personal relationships. They will grow to appreciate the importance of physical activity, while discovering essential life skills, such as cooperation, leadership, fair play, and teamwork.

Science

I am discovering the world around me! Grade 2 Science will foster your child's natural curiosity about their environment and our planet. They will learn about light and sound, and plants and animals.

Social Studies

For the 2024–2025 school year, the draft Kindergarten to Grade 6 social studies curriculum will be optionally piloted in classrooms. To find out if your child will be in a piloting classroom, contact your child's school. For more information about the new curriculum, visit [K to 6 curriculum renewal](#).

Optional Subjects

At the elementary school level, programming may include one or more optional subjects. Some schools may offer additional optional subjects not listed below.

- Drama
- First Nations Languages
- International Languages
- Locally Developed Courses

How Your Child Is Assessed

Your child's learning is assessed using a variety of tools and strategies within the classroom. Ask your child's teacher what methods they are using. The different assessment methods tell you and your child's teacher about your child's



strengths, areas in which your child requires support, and how well your child is doing throughout each course. Your child's teacher can then change or refine their teaching plans to ensure that learning activities better meet the needs of your child. At the end of each course, your child is assessed and their achievement is reported so that you know if they have achieved the expected learning outcomes for their grade.

<https://curriculum.learnalberta.ca/parents/>

Students in Grade 2 will complete provincial literacy and numeracy screening assessments. These assessments provide important information about how students are learning and what they need help with. The assessments make sure that students who are struggling get the help they need sooner. For more information about literacy and numeracy screening assessments, view the [Parent/Guardian Question and Answer Sheet](#).

Resources to Help Your Child

A variety of digital and print resources developed by publishers, Alberta Education, or Alberta teachers are available to help students learn. Teachers may select and bring into the classroom numerous innovative and creative resources to create rich learning experiences for your child.

In September 2024, students across Alberta will learn from finalized curriculum in

- K–6 Français langue première et littérature
- K–6 French immersion language arts and literature
- K–6 science
- K–6 English language arts and literature
- K–6 mathematics
- K–6 physical education and wellness

To learn more about the resources your child may encounter in these finalized subjects, visit [Explore Resources](#). To view resources for all other subjects, visit [LearnAlberta.ca](#).

Where can I get more information?

Learn more about your child's education by visiting