JSD Kindergarten Instructional Guidelines Half Day

Literacy (60-90 min.)				
Whole Group Instruction Tier 1 Explicit Instruction & Modeling	Teacher Read Aloud & Vocabulary	5-10 min.	Targeted vocabularySkill focus	 Speaking & listening skills
	Shared Reading	10-20 min.	 Concepts of print Speaking & listening skills Explicitly teach and model comprehension strategy and skills 	VocabularyHigh frequency wordsFluencyWriting about reading
	Word Study	10-15 min.	Phonemic awarenessPhonicsLetter work/handwriting	Blending/segmentingDecodingSpelling patterns
Small Group Instruction	Small Group Reading	30-45 min.	Word studyVocabularySkill or strategy focus lesson	FluencyGuided Reading (Using leveled text)
	Centers/ Independent Practice		 Students practice and apply material taught during whole class instruction 	
Writing Tier 1 Explicit Instruction & Modeling	Mini-lesson	5-10 min.	Lesson may include: Interactive writing Guided/modeled writing Writing focus Grammar Genre focus	 Foundational writing skills (write sentences to teach concepts, letter formation and sounds, using sight words, punctuation) Writing process
	Independent Practice	10-15 min.	Independent practice is embedded throughout the day- in a variety of settings	Students writingRevising/editingConferencing
RTI Tier 2	Interventions (remediation and extensions)	15-20 min.	 Targeted skills in reading and writing 	

Math

(30-45 min.)

Tier 1: Entire Class (Instruct and assess)

Routines and Review:

(5 min. -- can be separate from the main math block)

- Calendar
- Number of the day
- · Problem of the day
- · Spiral review
- Fact practice
- · Review game, center, or activity

Instruction: (15-20 min.)

Launch – Pose a task or string of related questions with a clear mathematical purpose, aligned to state standards, with multiple paths to a solution.

Explore – Students engage in a task individually, in partners, or small groups. Students use mathematical models and math talk to describe thinking.

Discuss – In a whole group, students share and explain their thinking, make sense of solutions and multiple methods with the goal to identify an efficient procedure, refine vocabulary, and make connections.

Check for Understanding: (5 min. – ongoing and informal – adjust time for unit tests and benchmarks)

Examples include:

- Exit tickets
- · White board checks
- Thumbs up
- Agree/disagree
- Short quiz

Tier 2: Targeted Groups (15 min. – Intervene, Reteach, Enrich, and Accelerate) This can be completed during centers.

- Instruction provided by a highly-qualified classroom teacher
- Targeted, systematic, explicit instruction
- Differentiated instruction in small groups
- Explicit connections between physical, visual, and abstract representations
- Additional conceptual development of core mathematics ideas and skills
- · Guided practice to develop skills for independent practice
- Manipulatives and technology for instruction and individual skill practice
- Interventions should include instruction on solving word problems based on common underlying structures

Science/Social Studies

Integrated into
Teacher Read
Aloud and Shared
Reading

Specials (30 min.)

PE/Dance

- Visual Arts
- Music/Drama
- Media Arts/ Computers
- Library

Recess (15 min.)

^{*}Traditional Day = 160 min.

^{*}Year-Round Day = 168 min.