

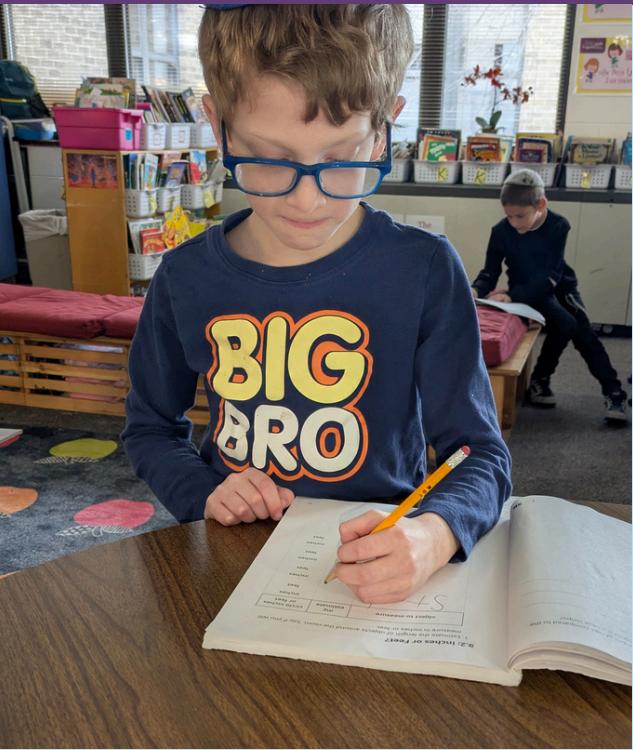


Curriculum Guide to Second Grade



BADER
HILLEL
ACADEMY

Child Development



Second Grade at Bader Hillel Academy...

is a year of growing confidence, independence, and deeper thinking. Students strengthen core academic skills while learning to express ideas clearly, work collaboratively, and take increasing responsibility for their learning. Instruction balances structure with creativity, nurturing curiosity within a warm, values-driven environment.

Social and Emotional Development

Social-emotional learning remains a key focus as students develop empathy, self-awareness, and collaboration skills. Children practice respectful communication, problem-solving, and responsible decision-making. Teachers foster a classroom community where students feel supported, challenged, and proud of their growth.

Second Grade Experience

LANGUAGE ARTS

Second graders continue developing as thoughtful readers and writers. Reading instruction emphasizes fluency, comprehension, and making connections to texts through stories, informational reading, and discussion. Writing focuses on sentence structure, spelling patterns, and expanding ideas through personal narratives, responses to reading, and simple research-based writing. Students build strong communication skills through speaking, listening, and collaboration.

MATHEMATICS

Math instruction builds fluency and problem-solving skills through hands-on learning and real-world applications. Students deepen their understanding of addition and subtraction, begin exploring place value, time, money, and measurement, and are introduced to early concepts of multiplication. Lessons encourage logical thinking, perseverance, and explaining mathematical reasoning.

SCIENCE/ SOCIAL STUDIES

Students explore the natural and social world through inquiry, observation, and discussion. Science units introduce life science, earth science, and basic physical science concepts, encouraging curiosity and experimentation. Social studies focuses on community, geography, and understanding how people contribute to society, helping students see their role within a larger world.

JUDAIC STUDIES

Second Grade Judaic Studies deepens students' connection to Jewish traditions, holidays, and values. Through stories, discussions, and hands-on experiences, students explore mitzvot, middot, and Jewish responsibility. Classroom learning connects Jewish ideas to daily life, helping students understand how values guide actions and relationships.

HEBREW

Hebrew instruction continues to build language skills through reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Students expand vocabulary, strengthen letter and word recognition, and begin forming simple sentences. Hebrew is taught in an engaging and supportive way that fosters confidence and a positive connection to Jewish language and culture.

SPECIALS

Second graders participate in a variety of enrichment classes that support creativity, physical wellness, and self-expression. Art, music, physical education, and library experiences provide opportunities for exploration, skill-building, and enjoyment beyond the core classroom.