### ENRICHMENT

Mother's Day Program

# What is a Learning Community?

Learning communities consist of students from two grade levels who rotate between teachers. These teachers are able to specialize in specific subject matter, giving students the benefit of a specialized teacher.

Students are invigorated as they get up and move between classes, and learn from the knowledge of multiple teachers.

## FIELD STUDIES

Sumner Academy LCII Students are engaged in learning outside of the classroom on several Field Studies throughout the year. Examples of such experiences include:

Belle Meade Mansion Nashville Children's Theater TPAC Schermerhorn Symphony Center The Parthenon Historic "Travellers Rest" LCII students attend **Related Arts** each day on a rotating schedule. They attend the following classes once per week:

- √ Art
- √ Computer
- √ Library
- / Music
- √ Spanish

Additionally, students attend **Physical Education** every day.



At Sumner Academy, we believe that exploring the world around us is imperative. Students learn about ancient civilizations, American History, conduct experiments, and learn by actively taking part in Social Studies and Science Classes.



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# Learning Community II Grades 1 and 2





### MATHEMATICS

Sumner Academy's math program teaches basic arithmetic concepts as well as geometry, patterns, time, and problem solving. This unique pedagogical approach is based on innovative instruction which breaks complex concepts into simpler increments. The distributed approach ensures that students gain and retain critical thinking concepts and use them in real-world situations. Use of manipulative accelerates understanding of abstract math concepts, and worksheets provide cumulative review.

# Language / Reading

Language Arts in LCII is an introduction to the world of language. Focusing on the parts of speech, sentence structures, and proper letter writing, this scaffolding provides a solid foundation for developing creative journal writing skills.

Wordly Wise provides systematic vocabulary instructiondeveloping the critical link between vocabularies and reading comprehension.

Reading - Independent, effective and essential reading practice for every student

A researched based, comprehensive reading program that has high quality literature coupled with explicit instruction and ample practice to ensure that students grow as confident life-long readers.

## **Social Studies**

First Grade - World Geography, Continents and Oceans, Ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia.

Second Grade - World Geography, Continents and Oceans, Ancient Greece, China, Japan. Colonies to Independence, US Symbols, American Government and Presidents,

Social Studies Fair - US History and Ancient Egypt



# PHONICS

Phonics is a program that is used in conjunction with our literature-based reading series. New learning is presented in increments, and each increment is reviewed weekly,\.

Homework consists of decoding words and reading a short story for comprehension nightly. Phonics tests are given after five lessons are completed.

School Day: 7:55 A.M. - 3:05 P.M. Before Care: beginning at 7:00 A.M. After Care: until 5:45 P.M.

#### Science

First Grade

Life Science: Living Things, Plants and Growth, Animal

Classes, Environments.

Habitats: Desert, Grassland, Rain forest, Ocean

Physical Science: Air and Wind Matter: Forms of Matter, Solids

**Second Grade** 

Life Science: Senses, Human Body and nutrition. Living and non-living things. Animal classifications

and habitats

Earth Science: weather, water cycles, rocks, minerals Physical Science: Solids and liquids. Balance and

motion.

# small class sizes

The LCII teachers have been teaching for a combined 125 years.

