

# Elementary Curriculum Connection 10.2.20

## 9 Areas of Phonics Instruction

- **Early Literacy Concepts** (knowledge of how print works) • **Phonological Awareness** (ability to hear sounds in words) • **Letter Knowledge** (recognition of graphic symbols and their names) • **Letter-Sound Relationships** (ability to connect sounds to letters and letters to words) • **Spelling Patterns** (recognition of phonograms, letter clusters, vowel patterns) • **High-Frequency Words** (ability to read words quickly and accurately that appear often in the language and/or are high utility) • **Word Meaning/Vocabulary** (understanding the meanings of words and of meaning-bearing parts {morphology, etymology}) • **Word Structure** (ability to break down words into parts—base words, word roots, affixes—to solve them) • **Word-Solving Actions** (the ability to use a flexible range of strategies for solving words)

### What's New in Edge?

#### *Excellence and Diversity in Gifted Education*

"Personality begins where comparison leaves off. Be unique. Be memorable. Be confident. Be proud."

— Shannon L. Alder

Staci Salzbrenner, is our district's new High Ability Coordinator. She will be working with staff to continue the growth of our EDGE program and is looking forward to implementing exciting curriculum with the Edge students beginning in October. Edge class meetings begin on October 1<sup>st</sup>!

Looking for some excellent High Ability Problem Solving Strategies? Check these out!

- Six Thinking Hats
- Paul's Reasoning Model
- Problem Based Learning Method

Please feel free to contact Staci at [ssalzbrenner@eacs.k12.in.us](mailto:ssalzbrenner@eacs.k12.in.us) or 446-0100 x3155 with any questions or needs that you may have!

### Remote Teaching for ELLs



Article/Video: [8 Strategies for Building Relationships with ELLs in Any Learning Environment](#)

Video: [7 Tips for Remote Teaching](#)

### Important Dates

IREADY Math (K)	9.28.20-10.9.20	Fall Break	10.5.20
mCLASS Math	closes 10.6.20	CogAt Post-Screener	10.14.20-10.28.20
CogAt pre-screener	9.14.20-9.30.20	Halloween	10.31.20
B2 Assessment	10.12.20-10.23.20		