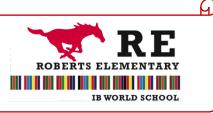
Parent Guide to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade



## What should my child know before entering 4<sup>th</sup> Grade?

LANGUAGE ARTS	MATH
Reading         Read and interact with traditional literature (fables, myths, and legends), persuasive texts, and drama         Identify a text's topic, author's purpose, and what the author is trying to persuade the reader to think or do         Draw conclusions from the information presented by the author and support with text evidence         Make basic inferences about text and support understanding with text evidence         Summarize information in text in a logical order and maintain the meaning (e.g., beginning, middle, and end in a fiction text)         Make connections between similar fiction and nonfiction texts and provide text evidence         Identify the problem and solution of a story's plot         Writing         Correct use of punctuation         Use and understand verbs, pronouns, adjectives, adverbs, apostrophes in contractions and possessives, and commas in series and dates         Create stories that build the plot to a climax and contain details about the characters and setting         Write complete sentences with proper capitalization	<ul> <li>Recognize quadrilaterals and draw examples that do not belong</li> <li>Determine the area of rectangles</li> <li>Decompose composite figures formed by rectangles to determine area</li> <li>Determine the perimeter of a polygon or a missing length</li> <li>Determine the value of a collection of coins and bills</li> <li>Represent and solve problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division</li> <li>Solve two-step problems</li> <li>Write numbers in various forms: standard, expanded notation, expanded, word</li> <li>Know basic multiplication and division fluency facts</li> </ul>
BEYOND ACADEMICS Social & Emotional Behavior	HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILD LEARN AT HOME?
<ul> <li>Follow multi-step directions</li> <li>Regulates own behavior with occasional reminders or assistance from the teacher</li> <li>Remains focused on engaging group activities</li> <li>Assumes roles and responsibilities as part of classroom community</li> <li>Initiates problem-solving strategies and seeks adult help when necessary</li> <li>Demonstrates empathy and caring for others</li> <li>Understand different situations calls for different reactions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ask your child to identify different shapes and figures while driving and shopping</li> <li>After reading or listening to a story, ask your child to find ways the characters or plots are similar to their life</li> <li>Use an interactive app on electronic devices to support learning at home (check houstonisd.org for digital resources)</li> <li>Have your child write a persuasive essay when they have a desire to do something or ask you to purchase something</li> <li>Create a daily routine at home that includes independent reading time for the family</li> <li>Encourage your child to write in a journal daily</li> <li>Set up savings account for your child at your local bank</li> <li>Allow your child to develop a "chores chart" that includes the monetary reward that goes with it</li> </ul>