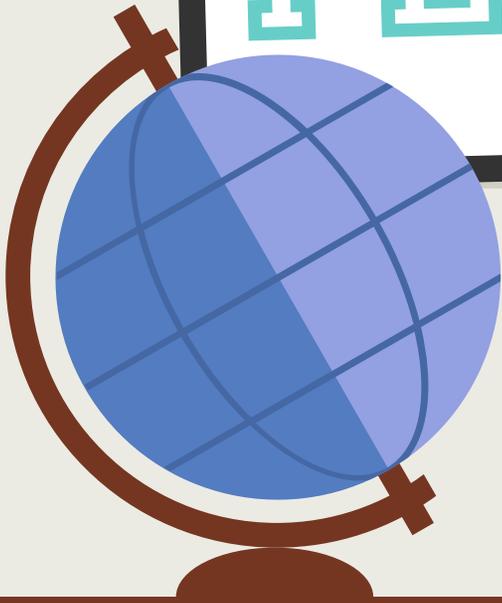


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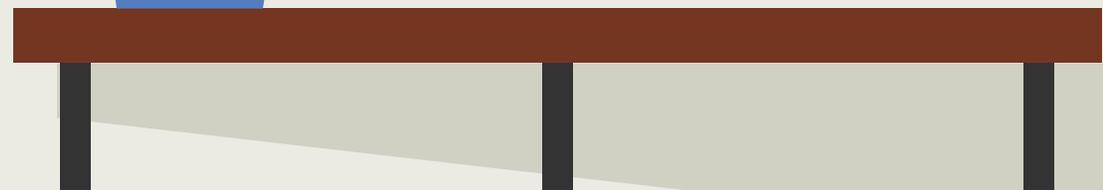
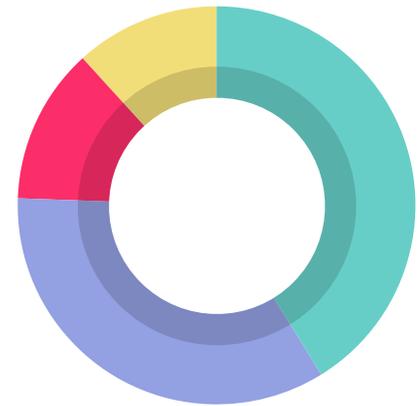


## PROGRAM OF STUDY

**We are proud of the rigorous program of study we provide for our students.**

Our students work to master the Arizona K-12 Academic Standards to prepare them for high school, career, college, and beyond. Our students receive instruction in Reading, Writing, Math, Science, and Social Studies as core subjects. They are tested in Reading, Writing, Math, and Science. Our teachers use Houghton Mifflin-Journeys in grades K-5 as the core Reading program. Engage New York is the core program for 6th-8th ELA and Kindergarten-8th grade Math. All resources are available, free of charge, online, for you to use at home for support. Our students receive instruction that requires them to move along the "Depth of Knowledge" continuum. Students move from answering lower level questions that may require them to find information and re-state it, all the way to analyzing information in order to apply new learning to a project or product they will design. Pendergast teachers have extremely high expectations for their students, and students will always receive adequate support in order to keep up with our rigorous pace.

- MATH
- READING
- WRITING
- SCIENCE
- SOCIAL STUDIES



## PARENT INVOLVEMENT



Parent participation is necessary to ensure student success at Pendergast.

We can't do this without you. Lower grade parents are expected to work with their students to ensure they are keeping up with basic skills required to be successful in class. This may include practicing sight words with your child every night, reviewing basic math facts with to support math number sense, listening to them read 20 minutes each night, The academic pace required to keep students meeting and exceeding standards is very brisk. We know we can count on you to help ensure your child doesn't fall behind.

We love parent participation at Pendergast. We have several opportunities for you to play an active role in your child's education. Please ask your child's teacher about our PTO, School Improvement Team, Classroom Volunteers Program, and/or our annual family events.

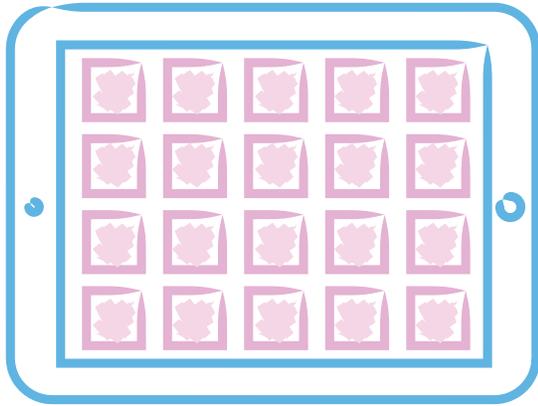
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It is essential that parents are actively involved in their child's education. We love working with Pendergast Parents and provide various opportunities for parents to participate in our school.



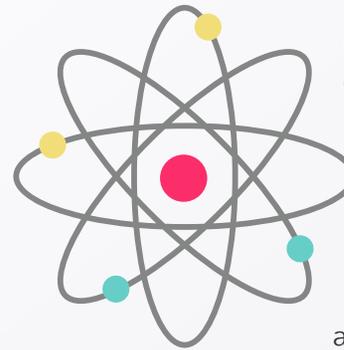
## USE OF TECHNOLOGY

Pendergast School uses to most current technology tools to support teaching and learning. Our mission is to provide a quality education for all students so they can compete locally in their future endeavors and aspirations.



**Pendergast School was awarded the Apple ConnectEd Grant that made it possible to provide an iPad for every student to use to support learning**

Teachers receive extensive training to support the integration of technology in the classroom. Use of the iPad truly as opened the door for teachers to take learning to a whole new level. Students have taken virtual field trips around the world, created professional products, composed music, and are learning the newest coding languages.



**Keeping up with 21st Century Technology skills will support our students as they prepare for the careers they will be applying for.**

If you look at how business and careers have changed over the past 20 years, we are truly preparing students for careers that haven't even been invented yet. Students are going to have to be problem-solvers that can think in different ways. We are preparing our students to be aware of different cultures of the world, as our students need to be marketable globally if they are going to compete for the careers of the future. We also provide opportunities for our students to use tools in our maker's space such as 3-D printers, Sphero Robots, Aerial Drones, and other tools used in current business. We also offer a Maker's Club, Arts & Photography Club, Minecraft Club as opportunities for our students to continue their exploration and learning with the most current technology.

## S.T.E.A.M. AND CULTURAL AWARENESS ACADEMIES

**Pendergast is proud to provide opportunities in the areas of S.T.E.A.E.M. and Culture Awareness with our on-site academies**

This year, all of our 8th graders will participate in our S.T.E.A.M. Academy which will provide hands on learning and exploration in the area of Sustainable Living. This specialized academy will take students through the various types of energy, and how we can preserve our planet by learning to harness the power of renewable energy. This hands-on opportunity will support reading, writing, math, science, art and technology skills for all 8th graders

Some of our 5th graders will learn about various cultures around the world in our Cultural Awareness Academy. Part of being globally competitive



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