Turning Pages & Opening Minds

The **Crabapple Tutoring Reading Program** focuses on the skill areas of phonics, sight vocabulary, functional vocabulary, comprehension, and oral reading for grades K-12.

Phonics - Phonics skills are the cornerstone of reading, enabling students to accurately sound out words they have not already memorized. Children will learn phonics skills such as letter recognition, letter formation, consonant sounds, short vowels, blends and digraphs, long vowels, R & L modified vowels, variant and irregular vowels, compound words, syllabication, and roots and affixes. Through practice and mastery of these phonics skills, students will have the reading foundation they need to move ahead with more complex materials.

Sight Vocabulary - Sight words, or words that children should instantly recognize by the end of 3rd grade, are taught. This reading skill aids in accuracy and fluency in both silent and oral reading.

Functional Vocabulary - Students build their vocabulary as they learn to recognize the meanings of words through the use of synonyms, antonyms, affixes, multi-meaning words, and appropriate word choices in the context of phrases, sentences, and paragraphs.

Comprehension - To help students learn how to derive meaning from what they are reading, four specific skill areas are focused on: information, generalization, organization and inference. These four skill areas, when learned together, will dramatically raise your child's reading comprehension, and foster their love of reading.

Oral Reading - Students are asked to read orally on a regular basis. Through regular practice, instructors provide reading assistance which solidifies accuracy, fluency and self-confidence in reading skills.

The Reading Program features:

- Diagnostic assessment with prescriptive process
- An individualized program
- 3:1 student/teacher ratio
- A nationally renowned curriculum
- Proven results
- Age appropriate
- Skills mastery focused
- A combined phonics and whole language approach
- Caring/trained/motivating instructors
- Confidence building
- Building relationships and fostering communication with students, parents and teachers



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