

Welcome to First Grade 2016-2017!

In preparation for the upcoming school year, we have prepared a list of skills your child should have mastered prior to entering first grade. Reviewing these skills over the summer will greatly ease your child's transition into first grade.

Summer Review Skills

Students entering first grade at Marrero Academy **will be expected to:**

Reading skills:

- Read and follow directions independently.
- Read and spell words containing short vowels and words containing a long vowel ending with silent e.
- Respond to literature by writing the answer to a question with a complete sentence including an ending mark and a beginning capital.
- Write 3 sentences on the same topic.

These skills are crucial for a student's success in first grade because students will be required to write short answers on each reading test (and other subject area tests). Points will be deducted if the above skills are not evident (ex: spelling CVC and CVCV words, complete sentences, correct capitalization, punctuation, etc.)

Math skills:

- Know the value and name of every coin.
- Know how to read the time on an analog clock to the hour and half hour.
- Know addition and subtraction facts to 20 in order to complete weekly timed drills with speed and fluency.

These skills are crucial for a student's success in first grade because part of each student's **math participation grade** will be based on **weekly timed facts quizzes**.

Motor skills:

- Tie shoes independently.
- Tear a page out of a workbook (with minimal rips).

We hope you have a great summer. We look forward to seeing you in August!

Sincerely,

First Grade Teachers