

Early Learning Center

Current Exploration Opportunities

2023-2024

Effingham Unit 40 Strategic Plan Goal 5a: Provide exploration opportunities from start to finish that allows for student voice and control.

Early Learning Center houses kindergarten only and provides instruction in the core content areas of Reading, Writing, Math, Science, and Social Studies in addition to special courses in PE and Music.

Early Learning Center goes above and beyond by offering a variety of opportunities for students to explore

- Careers
- Life Skills
- Future Planning
- Hobbies and Interests
- Personal development and mental and physical health

These exploration opportunities come to life at Early Learning Center:

- Through Coursework
 - Music Program in the Spring
 - Family Read Night
 - Math and Muffins
 - Farm Bureau's Ag in the Classroom for exposure to a variety of ag-focused content and experiences
 - English Language services for those who speak a language other than English
 - Field Trip to locations like Ballard Nature Center
 - Mystery Reader
 - Betsy Ross Presentation
 - Effingham Public Library's storytime
 - High School Helper Program with EHS Child and Daycare Class students
 - Animal Presentation
 - Veteran's Day Celebration
 - Daily Centers to support reading, writing, and math and to allow student choice
- Beyond Coursework
 - Effingham Fire Department Visits
 - Magic Show
 - NED Show
 - High Five Behavior Program to learn about behavior, responsibility, respect, kindness, and positive choices
 - Parent and Grandparent Volunteers to assist in and out of the classroom
 - End-of-Year Fun in the Sun
 - Of course, Recess!