

AGE OF LEARNING - MID YEAR UPDATE

Since the pandemic, many Kindergarteners are having to use Chromebooks but most do not know how to use it. We wanted to help teach our students how to use a Chromebook so they were even more prepared for Kindergarten, but we couldn't give them a device to use without educational software. That's where Age of Learning comes in. For about 60 minutes a week, we invite our children to play educational games on Age of Learning's My Math Academy and My Reading Academy.

At the beginning of September, the students went through Age of Learning's assessments. They are offered specific games in order to see where they are at with their learning. After they are done, Age of Learning formulates a specific learning journey for each child. The system will offer them games that teaches them a skill and tests that skill - in such a fun and adaptive way. Since we have been incorporating this program in our classrooms, we have had a handful of students work on 2nd grade skills. For the 2023-2024 school year, 78% of students worked on 2nd grade math skills and 34% worked on 2nd grade reading skills. Kiddie Academy of St. Louis also worked on significantly more skills than the other 48,000 preschool students in AOL's database (overall, 36 more math skills and 224 more reading skills on average).

Our students show so much growth throughout the year in Age of Learning. To help show that growth, we provide 3 reports throughout the school year. This report shows their mid year progress. Since we are halfway through the school year, Age of Learning expects us to be halfway done with preschool skills. Which KASTL has exceeded!

2024-2025 KASTL My Math Academy & My Reading Academy Mid Year Progress

My Math Academy

KASTL has completed....

- 83% of Preschool skills (18 skills total)
- 75% of Kindergarten skills completed (51 skills total)

My Reading Academy

KASTL has completed....

- 62% of Preschool skills (101 skills total)
- 49% of Kindergarten skills completed (184 skills total)

It is important to note that AOL's learning framework is not a linear path the children take. As the children go through assessments and start learning skills, Age of Learning's Personalized Mastery Learning Ecosystem lays out a specific path for each child. They will have opportunities to play a variety of games that help teach them skills based on the Missouri Early Learning Standards. Since the program is adaptive, there isn't a set level for a child to be on. That is why you will see a mixture of skills completed from pre-k skills to 2nd grade skills. It is not an indicator preschool skills are lacking but that they challenged themselves in the software successfully at a higher rate.

