

# Top 10 Facts You Should Know About Multi-age Classes



10. The multi-age teacher is a facilitator and coach leading students into meaningful activities and discussions that are appropriate and challenging for unique learners.
9. Multi-age classes work for all types of learners and foster understanding of all types of student needs.
8. A multi-age class has structure and organization; it just looks and acts differently.
7. A multi-age teacher has a 2-year opportunity to assess student growth allowing the teacher to teach to the student, not just the curriculum.
6. Differentiation of instruction is a key element in a multi-age class.
5. Students become mentors and coaches through peer-to-peer interaction and learning.
4. Students practice 21<sup>st</sup> century skills through partner, small, and whole group activities, integration of technology, and social skills in communication, and problem solving.
3. The students help create a learning environment of cooperation, collaboration, and support in a classroom that is comfortable and safe.
2. The multi-age teacher establishes a deeper relationship with the families of the students.
1. The students view each other as a family, youngers and olders, as well as, friends and teammates.