

Savvas Learning Company appreciates the thorough and insightful review conducted by EdReports of [*Savvas Essentials: Foundational Reading*](#) and is pleased to receive an “all green” evaluation.

Savvas is a next-generation learning company that combines new ideas, new ways of thinking, and new ways of interacting to create innovative learning solutions. We value the feedback of educators, researchers, and leaders in reading education, and are particularly grateful for the thoughtful insights provided by the EdReports review panel.

Foundational Reading is grounded in the theoretical model, the Simple View of Reading (Gough & Tunmer, 1986), and focuses on the lower strands of the Reading Rope—Word Recognition, including phonological awareness, decoding, and sight recognition of familiar words. There is a direct correlation between the Word Recognition strands of the Reading Rope and the strands that are the instructional focus of *Foundational Reading*—phonological awareness, phonics, and high-frequency words. The program offers systematic instruction, repetition, and practice so that students will learn to decode accurately, develop automaticity, and become fluent readers.

To ensure that content can reasonably be completed within a regular school year, and that pacing allows for maximum student understanding, Pacing and Planning Guidance for 150 days of school at approximately 30 minutes per day will be available for Back-to-School 2023.

EdReports is playing a critical role in elevating the importance of high-quality material such as *Foundational Reading* which when paired with ongoing, personalized, and connected professional learning, is designed to give every student a strong start at reading success.