

6th Grade Curriculum

Bible

The setting of God's story; Jesus ministry; Paul's missionary journeys

Language Arts

Integrated reading, writing, grammar, and spelling; short stories and selected novels, such as Tuck Everlasting, The Witch of Blackbird Pond, Where the Red Fern Grows; writing includes Geography Fair paper, journals, fantasy writing, interview, business letter, essay, poetry, book review/summary; independent reading – three hours per week.

Math

Decimals, variables, number theory, fractions, ratios, proportions, percents, data and graphs, integers, probability, equations and inequalities.

Science

General Science—the scientific method, diversity of life, energy, electricity, matter, weather, flight, family life and human sexuality.

Social Studies

World Geography – Using the five geography themes of place, location, human/environment interaction, region, and movement, explore the lands, cultures, and peoples of God's world. Special emphasis on map skills, global awareness, and the truth that our God is the Lord of all nations.

Art

Line, color, value; hand drawing; musical value painting; illuminated manuscript; clay and Celtic culture; architectural design; art and pop culture.

Music

Layers of sound; motif; rounds; Baroque, Renaissance and 20th Century music; fugue, opera and symphony.

Physical Education

Middle school students cycle through the following team sports: volleyball, football, soccer, basketball and the following winter sports: broomball, rink hockey, and ice skating for both sport and recreation.

7th Grade Curriculum

Bible

Creation, Fall, Redemption patterns; Israel: God's chosen people; My discipleship journey: called by God

Language Arts

Integrated reading, writing, grammar, and spelling; short stories, poetry, and selected novels, such as *The Giver*, *Across Five Aprils*, *The Bronze Bow*; writing includes Science Fair research paper, fables, journals, poetry, persuasive essay, and book reports; independent reading.

Math

Pre-algebra or Algebra 1

Science

Earth Science (alternates with Life Science)—science careers; the scientific method; minerals, rocks, and fossils; plate tectonics, earthquakes, volcanoes; soil, erosion, and the water cycle; oceanography; astronomy; Science Fair project.

Social Studies

U.S. History – Beginning with Reconstruction, focus on how the U.S. has changed from a developing isolationist nation to the dominant economic, political, and military power of the world. The concepts of justice, freedom, and equality will be the benchmarks to determine the country's successes and failings.

Art

Line, color, value; African masks; landscape perspective; sculpture; surrealism; Japanese printmaking.

Music

Vocal technique, director signals, blending, performance skills, musical styles, explore what it means to worship God through music.

Physical Education

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8th Grade Curriculum

Bible

Intertestamental period; The Gospels; Jesus' early ministry; The Holy Spirit; The Early Church; The End Times; Spiritual gifts..

Language Arts

Integrated reading, writing, grammar, and spelling; short stories and selected novels, such as *Light in the Forest*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *The Hiding Place*; writing includes History Day research paper, personal narratives, myths, journals, devotional writing, essays, book review, and poetry; independent reading.

Math

Pre-algebra, Algebra I or Geometry

Science

Life Science (alternates with Earth Science)—cells and their function; heredity and genetics; bacteria, viruses, protists, and fungi; plants; animals and their classifications; human body systems; nutrition and the immune system.

Social Studies

World History – The different worldviews and cultures that developed in ancient to modern times demonstrate a gap between the way things were/are and the way God intended things to be. The civilizations that most impacted our own will be evaluated and discussed in the light of a biblical worldview.

Spanish

Students learn how to express who they are and where they are, share about themselves and learn about others, and explore various culture topics and what it means to learn another language.

Art

Line, color, value; floral portraits; Aboriginal dot painting; radial design copper tooling; Venetian masks; endangered species enlargements.

Music

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Physical Education

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