

Fifth Grade Curriculum

Trinity's educational philosophy is to develop the whole child. These areas include the spiritual, intellectual, social, physical and emotional development of each child. Some of the goals our Fifth Grade curriculum encompasses are:

Language Arts/Reading

- Use phonetic skills to read intelligently
- Use new and different words for building vocabulary
- Reading and studying for comprehension
- Use reference materials effectively
- Developing methods of study skills to help organize, evaluate and retain information more readily
- Reading for content
- Write coherently in a variety of modes
- Focus on thinking skills that relate to writing forms
- Use the stages of the writing process to write independently
- Publish their writing in written or oral form
- Link grammar, usage, mechanics & spelling to writing & speaking
- Write coherently
- Learn reliable spelling strategies for familiar and unfamiliar words

Mathematics

- Perform calculations on whole numbers, fractions & decimals
- Estimate solutions to problems
- Use concepts of primes, factors & multiples in whole number, fraction & decimal operations
- Measure length, perimeter, weight, area, volume, time, temperature & angle
- Express probabilities using fractions, ratios, and decimals
- Formulate and carry out simple experiments and simulations
- Collect & analyze data using measures of central tendency
- Use variables and open sentences to express algebraic relationships

Science

- Understanding elements of the natural world
- Use appropriate scientific processes and principles in making personal decisions
- Engage in discourse & debate about matters of scientific and technological concern
- Become scientifically literate

Social Studies

- Use latitude and longitude to find locations
- Describe landforms and climates
- Learn about the cultural characteristics of Native Americans and Europeans who settled North America
- History of the U.S. from 1750-20th Century
- Study civics

- Learn the geography of the United States

Spanish

- Spanish alphabet & grammar
- Basic communication questions
- Exposure to music from Spain & Mexico
- Cardinal & intermediate directions in Spanish
- Culture, history & tourist spots of Mexico

Computer

- Introductory keyboarding skills
- Software activities in language arts, math, science & thinking to enrich classroom experiences

Health/Physical Education

- Develop & maintain a suitable level of physical fitness.
- Health and wellness is related to levels of physical, mental, emotional & social well-being
- Become aware of the role that nutrition and exercise play in total health
- Distinguish between communicable and non-communicable diseases
- Dangers of alcohol, tobacco and drug use
- Refine kicking, throwing and running skills
- Display rhythm through square dancing, jump roping, rhythm sticks and line dancing
- Knowledge of the rules of team games

Art

- Recognize God-given artistic talent in self
- Provide broad experiences with a wide variety of art medium
- Use visual thinking in making responsible judgments
- Appreciate own work and the work of others

Music

- Express themselves rhythmically
- Appreciate various musical styles
- Hear different instruments and tones
- Sing with and without accompaniment
- Repeat scales and sounds

Religion

- Know God, especially His forgiving love
- Respond in faith and grow in Christ
- Live in peace with God, self and others
- Value all of God's creative work
- See themselves as reconciled, redeemed children of God & individual members of Christ's body, the church
- Express their joy in worship of God and in loving service to others
- Develop a godly character and live as God's chosen people