

## Sixth 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 Sixth Grade curriculum encompasses are:

### Language Arts/Reading

- Narrative, descriptive, imaginary, expository and persuasive writing
- Forms of poetry – simile, metaphor, personification & onomatopoeia
- Learn relationships between vowel sounds, consonants, prefixes, suffixes & word endings
- Proofread
- Write research reports
- Familiarity with different parts of a sentence and using parts correctly in their writing & speaking
- Activating schema & build background information
- Predict, draw conclusions, make inferences & summarize
- Read a variety of literary works
- Identify sequence of events, main ideas, facts, supporting details & opinions in literature

### Mathematics

- Learn to value mathematics
- Understand the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication & division with whole numbers, fractions & decimals
- Read and write decimals through hundred-thousandths
- Read and interpret various types of graphs
- Utilize mental math methods for estimating
- Understand ratios & write ratios as fractions
- Identify positive & negative integers
- Change metric units by multiplying by 10, 100 or 1000.
- Find the probability of an outcome
- Solve algebraic equations of addition, subtraction, multiplication & division
- Probability

### Science

- Use the scientific method in experiments & hands-on activities
- Attend one week of Outdoor School
- Compare action & reaction forces
- Identify different ways to measure motion
- Classify animals according to different physical characteristic, structures and behaviors
- Describe various plant adaptations
- Explain & give examples of biomes
- Describe how earthquakes & volcanoes change the earth's crust.

### Social Studies

- Identify the major countries of Europe, Asia, Africa & Australia

- Determine major accomplishments of early civilizations
- Read maps: locating landforms, longitude, latitude, oceans & climate
- Compare civilizations' strengths & weaknesses
- Read and interpret timelines
- Use facts to back up opinions about government, religion, economy & history
- Gain insight in to real world events
- Read & discuss events from a variety of viewpoints

### Spanish

- Foundation for high school Spanish I

### Computer

- Keyboard skills
- Mastery of basic skills
- Increase speed & accuracy
- Use the Internet as a resource

### Health/Physical Education

- Refine skills of kicking, throwing & running
- Team games
- Individual sports
- Rhythm activities
- Improved physical fitness through daily exercise & running
- Appreciate that total health is a right & a responsibility of every individual.
- Prevent many health problems & diseases by following positive health practices.
- Growth, development & maintenance of a person's physical, intellectual, social & emotional health

### Drama/The Arts

- Recognize God-given artistic talent in self & others
- Provide broad experiences with a wide variety of art medium
- Plan & make art in the major areas of drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics, weaving, collage & print making
- Use visual thinking in making responsible judgments.
- Understanding art vocabulary
- Optional – Operettas, band & choir

### Religion

- Acquaint students with the Books of the Bible
- Gain knowledge about the sacraments (baptism, communion, etc.)
- Study in the New Testament
- Learn about the early church & the Reformation
- Recognize the abundance of God's blessings to us.