
CENTRAL
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



Course Curriculum

2019-2020

Kindergarten – Grade 4

Elementary School Overview

Educating the whole child...

Spiritual Formation

- Bible curriculum
- Scripture memorization
- Classroom devotions
- Daily chapel with student-led songs, scripture, prayer
- Learn about personal faith

Thematic Curriculum

- Two-year rotating curriculum, centered on state standards
- Students learn through reading, research, and experimenting
- Develop critical thinking skills

Hands-on Approach

- Learning through five senses
- Emphasis on study habits, responsibility, and setting goals
- Multi-age group activities
- Attention given to individual learning styles and interests

Transformational Leadership

- Students are taught to resolve conflict through use of peace mat
- Older students are trained to lead groups for multi-age activities
- Older students help younger students at lunch and during activities

Multi-age Classrooms

- Opportunities for group cooperation and peer teaching
- Two grades per classroom
- Older students model classroom behavior
- Students are challenged at their readiness level
- Teachers begin each school year knowing many of the students in their classroom

Elementary School Bible

Kindergarten-Grade 1

- I am special
- Neighbors
- Church families
- Creation
- God gives us five senses
- God loves everyone in the world
- Fruits of the Spirit
- Christmas story
- Jesus as a Boy
- Jesus as a Man
- People in the Bible

Grades 2-3

- Exodus from Egypt
- Samuel, David and Peter
- Joshua and Judges
- Prophets, kings and queens
- Old Testament heroes
- Christmas story
- Easter story
- Ministry of Jesus
- Sharing the love of Jesus
- Great Commission
- Pentecost
- 12 disciples
- New Testament heroes

Grade 4

- Saul, David, Solomon
- The Divided Kingdom
- Peace unit
- Birth of Jesus
- Choices of Jesus
- Who is Jesus?
- Ministry of Jesus
- Jesus offers freedom
- The Acts of the Apostles

Elementary School Language Arts and Reading

Kindergarten-Grade 1

- Letters and sounds
- Writing process
- Capitalization
- Punctuation
- Sentence structure
- Syllables
- Beginning dictionary skills
- Story mapping
- Author study
- Speaking skills and strategies
- Guided and independent reading
- Sight words
- Word recognition
- Parts of a story
- Alphabetical order
- Text connections
- Compound words
- Root words

Grades 2-3

- Nouns, verbs, and adjectives
- Sentence structure, punctuation
- Plurals, syllables
- Compound words
- Root words, contractions
- Homophones
- Beginning, middle, end
- Main ideas, poetry
- Nonfiction text features
- Compare and contrast

Elementary School Language Arts and Reading (continued)

Grades 2-3 (continued)

- Synonyms and antonyms
- Cause and effect
- Prefixes and suffixes
- Alphabetical order
- Dictionary skills
- Summarizing
- Making connections
- Inferences, character traits
- Quotes, commas, and punctuation
- Paragraph writing

Grade 4

- Sentence structure
- Nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives
- Homophones
- Model auxiliaries
- Greek and Latin affixes and roots
- Quotes, commas, and punctuation
- Poetry
- Similes and metaphors
- Paragraph and essay writing
- Word study and spelling
- Idioms
- Prepositional phrases
- Antonyms and synonyms
- Literature circles
- Nonfiction reading strategies

Elementary School Math

Kindergarten-Grade 1

- Recognize shapes
- Recognize, write and match sets of numbers
- Position and direction
- Continue a pattern
- Sorting
- Number lines
- Odd and even numbers
- Most or least value
- Fractions
- Story problems
- Draw shapes
- Series and patterns
- Place value and counting
- Recognize number words
- Addition and subtraction
- Graphs
- Money
- Time
- Measurement
- Geometry
- Probability and statistics
- Fact families

Grades 2-3

- Counting and place value
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of whole numbers
- Odd and even numbers
- Fractions
- Graphs
- Probability and logic
- Money
- Clock and calendar time
- Concepts of pre-algebra
- Word problems
- Measurement
- Geometry
- Estimating

Elementary School Math (continued)

Grade 4

- Place value
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Fractions
- Money
- Clock and calendar time
- Odd and even numbers
- Concepts of pre-algebra
- Graphs
- Decimals
- Percent
- Measurement
- Geometry
- Estimating

Elementary School Science

Kindergarten-Grade 1

- Weather and seasonal changes
- Five senses
- Insects
- Mammals and animal basic needs
- Health, nutrition and manners
- Sun, moon and stars
- Energy
- Scientific method
- Simple machines
- Living and non-living
- Land and water
- Plants and gardening
- Recycling
- Properties of objects
- Motion and materials

Grades 2-3

- Weather
- Simple machines
- Health
- Pollution
- Recycling
- Habitats and ecosystems
- Adaptations
- Classification of living and non-living
- Animal life cycles
- Animal and plant basic needs
- Matter
- Energy
- Rocks and minerals
- Scientific method
- Magnets
- Plants and gardening

Grade 4

- Gardening
- Landforms
- Weather and erosion
- Changes in environment
- Drug awareness
- Nutrition
- Energy and electricity
- Scientific method
- Matter
- Fossils

Elementary School Social Studies

Kindergarten-Grade 1

- Families
- Pioneers
- Colonial life
- Native Americans
- State study
- Country study
- Personal histories
- Rules and laws
- Citizenship
- Wants and needs
- Economics - goods and services
- Community helpers
- Maps and globes
- Peace and conflict resolution
- Past, present, future
- Leaders and biographies

Grades 2-3

- Map work
- Native Americans
- Laws and elections
- State study
- Pioneers
- Colonial life
- Citizenship
- Then and now
- Country study
- Personal histories
- Economics
- Local history
- Biographies

Grade 4

- Map work
- Ohio Native Americans
- Early Ohio settlers
- Colonial times
- Western expansion of the U.S.
- Underground railroad
- Immigration
- Influential Ohioans
- United States regions
- Government and constitution
- Ohio resources
- Economics
- Citizenship

Elementary School Exploratory Classes

Art

Elementary Art focuses on fine motor skills such as cutting, drawing and painting. The projects done in class help children explore different aspects of art by learning about line, texture, value, form, color, shape, and dimension. The students also learn about historical and current artists.

Choral Music (Kindergarten - Grade 4)

The objective of Choral Music is for students to sing tunefully and gain an appreciation for the joy of making music. Students learn to sing expressively with appropriate dynamics, phrasing, and interpretation.

Elementary School Exploratory Classes (continued)

Computer (Grade 4)

Students learn keyboarding, word processing, power point, internet research, internet safety, and file maintenance.

Strings (Grades 1-4)

Students will begin learning the violin, utilizing the Suzuki Method. Emphasis is placed on listening to simple repertoire before it is introduced. Care is taken to ensure proper posture, violin hand position, bow hold, and tone production.

Physical Education

Students learn about fitness, coordination, and teamwork through cooperative activities. Activities include ball handling skills, games, relays, soccer, basketball, throw/catch, volleyball, jump rope, kickball, and many more.

Spanish

Spanish focuses on basic knowledge and communication skills. Students will learn greetings, poems, songs, counting, and polite expressions. They will also study Latin American countries, cultures, and games.