



Grade 1 Curriculum Guide

Ratio 1 : 15

Language Arts

- Saxon Phonics and whole language curriculum
- Writing: self expression in journals and stories using inventive spelling and correct spelling
- Reading and Spelling of sight and phonetic words
- Independent readers using a variety of genres and topics
- Reader's theaters, plays, and illustrations that express understanding of content
- Scholastic Reading Counts program: students read books and take comprehension tests on the computer over what they read
- Weekly spelling and sentence dictation

Mathematics

- enVision Curriculum
- Projects and practice through games
- Graphs and charts
- Estimation
- Geometric shapes
- Measurement
- Money and time
- Operations
- Solving word problems
- Beginning algebraic concepts

Social Studies

- Learn to record and classify observations about selves, society, cultures
- Comparing, ordering, tallying, and presenting ideas
- Geography
- Economics
- History
- Government
- Citizenship
- Culture



Science

- Students observe and describe God's natural world using their five senses, scientific investigation and reasoning
- Living and non-living
 - life cycles of plants, animals and insects
 - human body and nutrition
- Weather
- Types of matter
- Force, motion and energy
- Earth and space
- Organisms and environments
- Conservation and reusing / recycling
- Field trips offer opportunities for extended observation and hands on exploration.

Technology Lab

- Keyboarding software
- Intro to internet studies
- Educational software used to enrich entire curriculum
- Research projects

Library

- Learn library skills
- Introduce students to authors, illustrators
- Critical listening encouraged

Spanish

- Exposure and practice with listening and speaking common nouns, verbs and greetings
- Experience cultural traditions and holidays with music and games

Bible Study

- Attend Chapel
- Summit Bible Curriculum: Understanding Biblical themes of Old and New Testaments
- Weekly Bible memory verse



Art

- Introduction to the elements and principles of design
- Hands-on creativity
- Individual expression is encouraged through a variety of media
- Appreciation for art history and concepts

Music

- Singing skills, notation, music symbols
- Chapel songs
- Music theory
- Composers
- Movement and dancing
- Musical performance
- Musical styles
- Musical instrument

Physical Education

- Promote physical activity, healthy development and lifestyles
- Develop body awareness
- Gain confidence during play
- Follow directions, teamwork