

SIXTH GRADE CURRICULUM

To prepare for 7th grade our goal is for students to think critically, work independently, and confidently apply their knowledge across subjects.

READING AND LITERATURE

- Analyze literature for theme, plot, character development, setting, and author's purpose.
- Identify main ideas, supporting details, tone, and important literary elements.
- Make inferences, draw conclusions, compare texts, and support responses with textual evidence.
- Build vocabulary using context clues, word roots, prefixes, suffixes, and reference skills.
- Summarize, interpret, and evaluate increasingly complex texts.
- Develop independent reading and critical-thinking skills.

Goal: Develop strong comprehension and analytical reading skills that allow students to engage confidently with increasingly complex texts.

LANGUAGE AND WRITING

- Write organized paragraphs, essays, reports, and other forms of composition.
- Develop clear thesis statements, supporting ideas, and logical organization.
- Apply correct grammar, punctuation, capitalization, spelling, and sentence structure.
- Identify and correctly use parts of speech, phrases, clauses, and sentence types.
- Conduct basic research and organize information from multiple sources.
- Revise, edit, and strengthen written work.
- Communicate ideas clearly and effectively for different purposes.

Goal: Develop mature writing skills and communicate ideas clearly, logically, and effectively.

MATH

- Work confidently with whole numbers, fractions, decimals, percentages, and ratios.
- Apply the four operations to increasingly complex problems.
- Solve multi-step and real-world problems using logical reasoning.
- Work with integers, factors, multiples, exponents, and numerical expressions.
- Develop foundational algebraic thinking and solve basic equations.
- Apply concepts involving measurement, geometry, area, volume, and data.
- Explain mathematical reasoning and check solutions for accuracy.

Goal: Apply mathematical concepts and reasoning to solve increasingly complex problems accurately and independently.

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

- Study major civilizations, cultures, people, and events that shaped world history.
- Examine the development of civilizations and the influence of geography on societies.
- Develop stronger map, geographic, and research skills.
- Analyze cause and effect, chronology, and connections between historical events.
- Study government, citizenship, economics, and the development of nations.
- Evaluate historical events and ideas from a biblical worldview.

Goal: Develop a broader understanding of history and geography while learning to analyze how people, places, and events have shaped the world.

Science

- Explore life, earth, physical, and environmental science concepts.
- Study cells, organisms, ecosystems, and the relationships between living things.
- Investigate matter, energy, forces, motion, and physical properties.
- Examine Earth's structure, weather, climate, natural resources, and space.
- Conduct investigations, analyze observations, interpret data, and draw evidence-based conclusions.
- Recognize God's design and order throughout creation.

Goal: Develop scientific knowledge and the ability to investigate, analyze, and explain scientific concepts using evidence.

BIBLE

- Study Scripture and key biblical people, events, and teachings.
- Develop a deeper understanding of biblical doctrine and Christian beliefs.
- Memorize and apply Scripture to everyday situations.
- Examine biblical principles related to character, decision-making, relationships, and responsibility.
- Connect biblical truth to academic subjects and current life experiences.
- Develop and articulate a biblical worldview.

Goal: Strengthen biblical knowledge and learn to apply God's Word thoughtfully to academics, decisions, and daily life.

Class, Homework, and Grading Expectations



CLASSWORK & PARTICIPATION

Students are expected to arrive prepared, participate appropriately, complete assigned work, and demonstrate consistent effort. Students should take responsibility for their learning and contribute positively to the classroom environment.



HOMEWORK

Homework is a GCS standard and will be assigned every night. Homework is intended to reinforce instruction, provide opportunities for additional practice, and develop students' independence, responsibility, and time-management skills.



GRADING

GCS requires at least one test or quiz each week in every subject.

- **Tests: 35%**
- **Quizzes: 25%**
- **Classwork: 20%**
- **Homework: 10%**
- **Participation: 10%**

Our goal: To prepare students to approach increasingly challenging academics with independence, critical thinking, accountability, and a strong biblical foundation as they enter the next level of their education.