

Tyler Street Christian Academy

Fourth Grade Curriculum

BIBLE

The curriculum draws from the entire Bible and our text, *Building Life Castles*. Characters in both the Old and New Testaments are studied in addition to the life of Christ. A key emphasis is establishing students in the Word of God so that they can begin to find answers for themselves.

LANGUAGE

Composition

- Recognize and write good sentences and correct words
- Distinguish between the four kinds of sentences

Grammar

- Master subjects and predicates
- Recognize and use all eight parts of speech

Word Usage

- Learn to use a dictionary
- Write subjects and verbs

SPELLING

There are thirty-six lessons divided into six units with the sixth lesson in each unit being a review lesson. The emphasis is on word building skills. Each lesson typically has 20 words per list and vocabulary words are assigned from the list words.

READING

In addition to structured classroom reading, the Accelerated Reading program will be employed to further students' comprehension skills. The reading workbook, *Ben*, also develops comprehension skills. Speed and comprehension are also developed using the *Read and Think* activities. The second anthology in a series of four, *A World of Literature* is used to expose students to various genres of literature.

PENMANSHIP

The students review and practice correct cursive formation of letters and numbers.

WRITING

- The students will develop writing skills and strategies specific to the types of writing they will encounter in classroom, testing, and eventually, work settings.
- Develop good note taking skills through IEW.
- Improve writing in all subject areas through IEW.

MATH

- Review the four basic functions, borrowing and carrying, story problems, number averaging, Roman numerals, rounding off whole numbers, and money
- Decimals and place values
- Recognize place value through millions
- Factoring, finding common factors
- Fraction terminology, adding, subtracting, multiplying fractions, reducing fractions
- Graphs
- Simple algebraic equations
- Simple geometry

SOCIAL STUDIES

- The Years of Discovery and Conquest
- The First Americans
- The English Come to America
- The New England Colonies
- The Middle and Southern Colonies
- Picture of Colonial Life
- The Great Awakening
- The French and Indian War
- The American Revolution
- Building a New Nation
- Our Nation Grows
- The Civil War
- New Frontiers
- An Age of Progress
- Beyond our Boundaries
- The World War I
- The World War II
- Texas History

SCIENCE

- Insects: Miniature Marvels of Creation
- Plants: Provision for Man and Beast
- Birds: Winged Wonders
- Matter: Water, Air, and Weather
- Energy: Sound and Hearing
- Geology: Planet Earth
- Oceanography: Wonders of the Sea
- Astronomy: Consider the Heavens
- Your Body's Framework
- The Muscle Builder
- Your Breathing Machine
- A Winning Smile
- Your Body's Cover
- Keys to Good Grooming
- A Healthier

HEALTH

