

TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Sixth Grade Curriculum

Trinity Christian School is committed to providing a safe and caring environment where children receive a quality education from a biblical worldview, while developing thinking and articulate students. We are devoted to fusing faith and learning in such a way that each student is practically equipped to face their future and become a life-long learner.

At the core of academic excellence is the role of the classroom teacher. Trinity Christian School seeks the most qualified teachers, who have a love for their students and a passion for teaching. All of our teachers are state certified and are devoted followers of Christ who teach truth from a biblical perspective.

Mathematics: enVision2.0

- Proportional relationships
- Applying rational numbers
- Order of operations
- Fractions
- Integers
- Write and simplify expressions
- Equation solving (one-step and two-step)
- Basic geometry
- Angle relationships
- Properties of circles
- Polygons
- Measurement (length, perimeter, circumference, and area)
- Geometry solids
- Collecting, displaying, and analyzing data
- Probability
- Patterns and functions

Year In School:	Course Option 1: <i>Math Course Sequence</i>	Course Option 2: <i>Accelerated Math Course Sequence</i>
6th Grade	6th Grade Math	Accelerated 6th Grade Math
7th Grade	7th Grade Math	Pre-Algebra
8th Grade	8th Grade Math	Algebra 1

Bible: Positive Action for Christ

- Unit One: Preparing for the Race
- Unit Two: Developing Inner Strength
- Unit Three: Striving for the Prize
- Unit Four: Hindrances to the Runner
- Unit Five: Pressing Toward the Goal
- Unit Six: The Prize is Won

Science: Christian View of Science/BJU Press

- Embedded Inquiry
- Ecology: the organization of the various ecosystems
- Energy: potential and kinetic energy, sound, light, geothermal, electrical and nuclear energy. Renewable and non-renewable energy resources
- Electricity and Magnetism-static electricity: currents and circuits, conductors and insulators, electric cells, measuring electrical energy, electric power, magnets and magnetic fields, electricity to magnetism, magnetism to electricity, electric motors and electronics, superconductivity
- Matter in Motion: forces in motion, work and energy, types of machines
- Force and Motion: distance, time, speed and velocity, force, mass and acceleration
- Universe: Earth, moon and sun relationships
- Simple Machines: six types of simple machines
- Waves: transverse and longitudinal waves, waves transmitting energy through matter or through empty space

History: BJU Press, World Studies

World Studies covers the chronological journey of empires, cultures, Christianity, and religions around the world.

Computers

Students in grades K-8 learn about the working parts of computers, the internet and internet safety, research, coding, and how to use Microsoft Office Suite; all in order to further the Gospel and share the love of Jesus with others.



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English Language Arts (ELA)

Grammar: BJU Press

• Learn parts of speech (nouns, pronouns, verbs, prepositions, adverbs) • Master the four kinds of sentences, discover how to avoid sentence fragments, and how to correct sentences • Learn the mechanics of writing • Use good grammar and mechanics in writing and research

Spelling

• Study 20 new words each week and complete test on them • Spell each word and use it correctly in a sentence to show understanding • Spelling list focuses on different Latin and Greek roots, as well as different prefixes and suffixes

Writing: BJU Press

• Build on previous instruction to enhance writing technique • Learn to utilize the writing process • Practice writing in three of the four writing styles • Introduction to and practice of proper MLA documentation • Create a five-paragraph expository essay • Gain skill in the scientific writing method, culminating in a paper in collaboration with middle school science • Write a research paper utilizing MLA documentation and style • Students will write a persuasive essay • Complete daily journals to reinforce the importance of writing

Literature

• Acquire reading strategies • Introduction to the Active Reading Model • Learn literary terminology • Understand how literary elements and techniques are used to convey meaning with the Traditional Story Structure using the short story, “*The Marble Champ*” • Analyze character development in literature, within the overall impact of a piece of literature using the short story, “*The No-Guitar Blues*” • Use information to form, explain, and support critical thinking and reading comprehension in non-fiction writing using the “*Critical Thinking and Reading Comprehension Series*” • Comprehend that literary elements and techniques are used to convey meaning using the novels, *The Chronicles of Narnia*; and *Wonder* • Write a five-paragraph literary analysis comparing a novel to the Bible • Analyze the meaning of words and phrases in their context, using all of the stories above • Deliver planned oral presentations using Accelerated Reader books

Spanish

Fifth through eighth grades focus more on grammar. gender of nouns, possessive adjectives, definite articles, adjective agreement, regular -ar, -er, -ir verbs and irregular -ser, estar, tener verbs. Students also apply lessons previously learned, like telling time, using numbers 1-1,000, and traveling.

Physical Education/Health

• Develop team-building skills by working with others through physical activity • Understand principles of health promotion and the prevention and treatment of illness and injury • Students will perform loco motor, non-loco motor and manipulative skills at a utilization level, show fundamental components of healthy living, and use appropriate skills in team, group and individual activities • Introduced to basic fundamental skills of various team sports and other health-enhancing activities • During all activities, recreational play verses competitive play, and good sportsmanship are continually fostered and encouraged.

2024-2025 Sixth Grade Test Scores

Iowa Assessment

Please contact our Director of Education if you have any questions.

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NP of Mean NCE

This means, a student whose NP is 72, scored higher than 72 percent of the sixth grade students nationally who also took the test. NP scores are useful for comparing local student achievement to student achievement at the national level.

Reading	Math	Language
61	66	71