

TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Seventh Grade Curriculum

Trinity Christian School is committed to providing a safe and caring environment where children can 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: Holt Pre-Algebra (Accelerated Track)

•Algebra terminology •Integers and exponents •Rational and real numbers •Coordinate geometry •Analyzing data •Plane geometry •Perimeter, area, and volume •Ratios and similarity •Percents •Equations and inequalities •Graphing lines •Sequence and function •Polynomials

Mathematics: Holt 7th Grade Math

•Algebraic Reasoning •Integers and rational numbers •Applying rational numbers •Proportional relationships •Graphs •Percents •Collecting, displaying, and analyzing data •Geometric figures, geometry, and measurement •Probability

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

Bible Positive Action for Christ

•Route 66 is a fast-moving Bible survey with personal application •Students visit all 66 books from Genesis to Revelation, from creation, to the cross, to the consummation of time

Science: Christian View of Science

•Embedded Inquiry •Life: plant and animal cells, viruses, bacteria, diseases, flow of matter and energy •Cell Activities: order among cells, cellular respiration, photosynthesis •Support and Movement: the integumentary system, the skeletal system, the muscular system •Internal Balance: homeostasis, blood, blood vessels and heart, the immune system, excretory system •Energy: the respiratory system and the digestive system •Control: the nervous system, the sense organs, the endocrine system •Health: a biblical approach to health, nutrition, disease •Genetics and Heredity: heredity traits, reproduction and inheritance, variations, DNA, genes, mutations, mitosis and meiosis, karyotyping, genetics, applications of genetics

History: Bob Jones, American Republic

American Republic traces American history from the discovery of the New World up to the Civil War with a focus on values and government.



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SEVENTH GRADE CURRICULUM

English Language Arts (ELA)

Grammar

- Strengthen knowledge of parts of speech (common and proper nouns, verb tenses, infinitive phrases, gerunds, and participles)
- Students work on sentence order, complete and compound subjects, predicate nominatives, and clauses.
- Enhance abilities using the mechanics of grammar
- Learn more vocabulary to increase figurative language writing skills

Spelling:

- Students are given 20 new words a week and tested on those words
- Spell the words and write sentences using each word correctly to assess understanding
- Lists focus on different Greek and Latin roots as well as different prefixes and suffixes

Writing

- Expanded writing techniques
- Practice proper paragraph and essay construction, working through the four main types of writing
- Introduced to and practice proper MLA documentation
- Develop proofreading and editing skills
- Complete an expository vs. persuasive writing project
- Write a descriptive essay utilizing figurative language
- Learn elements of creative writing including poetry, song writing, and short stories; culminating in a poetry slam and short story reading at the end of the quarter

Literature

- Review of Active Reading Model
- Review of literary terminology
- Elements of genre and fairy tales using the Grimm's fairy tale, "Cinderella"
- Study the difference between facts and inferences
- Figurative language
- Study irony and identify ways an author uses language structure, word choice and style to convey the author's viewpoint using the works of O. Henry
- Understand how literary elements and techniques are used to convey meaning with the traditional story structure, character development and vocabulary, using short stories
- Understand how literary elements and techniques are used to convey meaning through Literature Circles using the novel *The Giver* and the play *Hamlet*
- Deliver planned oral presentations using on-line tools
- Write literary analysis essays
- Analyze the meaning of words and phrases in their context, using all of the activities already listed
- Create interactive notebooks for all literary elements

2022-2023 Seventh 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 fourth grade students nationally who also took the test. NP scores are useful for comparing local student achievement to students' achievement at the national level.

Reading	Math	Language
62	77	78