

**Junior High Grade 7**  
*Arborbrook Christian Academy*



LANGUAGE ARTS

Subject	Texts and Sources Used
<b>Literature</b>	<p><b>Novels</b>  <i>The Hobbit</i> by J.R.R. Tolkien  <i>The Giver</i> by Lois Lowry  <i>A Long Walk to Water</i> by Linda Sue Park  <i>A Wrinkle in Time</i> by Madeleine L'Engle</p> <p><i>Forms of Literature</i>  <b>Short Stories</b> // <i>Flying Lessons &amp; Other Short Stories</i>  <b>Poetry</b> mini unit // teacher selected poems  <b>Novella:</b> <i>A Christmas Memory</i> by Truman Capote  <b>Plays:</b> <i>Much Ado about Nothing</i> by William Shakespeare  <i>The Miracle Worker</i> by William Gibson</p>
<b>Writing</b>	<p>Objective: Write to show, not tell. Learn the elements of style; memoir writing, expository, narrative, and persuasive writing            Poetry: Photograph poems, Where I'm From poems, Change poems            Creative writing: Design-a-Country project            Non-fiction writing: Personal memoir (expository and persuasive),            Shakespearean monologue paraphrase and recitation, persuasive essay (explore a question and gather evidence as a class on both sides).  <b>Writing Workshop</b> offered twice a week that concentrates on writing skills.</p>
<b>Grammar</b>	<i>Grammar for Middle School</i>
<b>Vocabulary</b>	<i>Wordly Wise 3000 Book 7</i>
<b>Narration Emphasis</b>	Identify literary terms and figurative language, elements of style

MATH & SCIENCE



Subject	Texts and Sources Used
<b>Math</b>	BJU 7 <sup>th</sup> grade Fundamentals of Math BJU Pre Algebra for students advanced a year in Math.
<b>Science</b>  <i>Life Science</i>	Primary text: Purposeful Design Publications, <i>Life Science</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scientific Inquiry and the Scientific Method</li> <li>• The History of Life, Archaeology, Geology, and Paleontology</li> <li>• Foundations of Geology</li> <li>• The Fossil Record</li> <li>• Uniformitarianism and Catastrophism</li> </ul>
<b>Fort Caswell Coastal Ecology Trip</b>	Students take a three-day class trip to Fort Caswell, located on the coast of North Carolina. There, they learn about coastal ecology and marine biology while enjoying time together at the beach.

## HISTORY & BIBLE



Subject	Texts and Sources Used
<b>History</b>  <i>Early American History 1620-1850</i>	<i>Text: History of Us, Volumes 1-4</i> <i>Novels: Chains by Laurie Hals Anderson</i> <i>Witch of Blackbird Pond by Elizabeth George Spear</i> <i>Streams to the River, River to the Sea by Scott O'Dell</i>
<b>History Field Trip</b>	7 <sup>th</sup> grade students take an immersive field trip to King's Mountain where they learn from Park Rangers about the Revolutionary War battle fought on that site.
<b>Bible</b>	Students take Bible three days a week. Classes are gender specific. Students memorize specific passages of scripture school wide within their Bible classes and learn the fundamentals of Bible study. Teachers also seek to help students develop a personal relationship with the Lord through prayer and Bible reading. Our desire is to engage the head and the heart with God's Word. 7 <sup>th</sup> grade: <i>Gospel Foundations, Vol 1-5</i>

### AUXILIARY AND ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Additional classes may be added depending upon student interest and teacher availability.  
 Students may choose some of their elective classes on a semester basis.

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<b>Art</b> Semester course // student choice	Students will explore multiple media as they begin to learn the fundamentals of art and design.
<b>Physical Education</b> Trimester Course. All students will take this class.	Students will learn fundamentals of common sports as well as teamwork and exercise strategies.
<b>Drama</b> New for 2021-2022 Semester course // student choice	Students will learn the history of drama, including set design, props, costumes, special effects, etc., and create their own interpretations of actual plays.
<b>Nature Studies</b> Trimester Course. All students will take this class.	Students will work in the school gardens to grow and cultivate all type of plants. They will learn about composting, the role of insects, organic fertilization, and how to care for our earth.
<b>Logic</b> New for 2021-2022 Trimester Course // All students will take this course.	Students will learn the fundamentals of logical reasoning. They will begin to learn the essential logical fallacies, how to spot them, and how to avoid them. This will not be a lecture class but a time for students to wrestle and experiment with various rhetorical arguments.

**Study Skills**

Year-long course.

All students will take this class.

7<sup>th</sup> grade students take a study skills course once a week to learn how to organize, take notes, study for tests, and prepare themselves well for academic success.