

Sixth Grade

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Bible

This course introduces students to the foundational concept of worldview, helping them develop metacognition by thinking critically about how they perceive the world and why. Students explore the essential components of a worldview: its overarching narrative, the beliefs and values it produces, and the actions it shapes in individuals and cultures. Through a biblical perspective, they examine life's big questions: Where did I come from? Why am I here? What is wrong with the world? What can make it right? Where am I headed?

Using Scripture, students learn to evaluate and contrast worldviews that do not align with the Bible while discovering their identity in God's redemptive story—created in His image, fallen in Adam, and redeemed through Christ. The course challenges students to live out the Creation Mandate and the Great Commandments by loving God and others and equips them to positively influence their families, friendships, and communities. Ultimately, students are prepared to engage with differing worldviews and religions thoughtfully and confidently, rooted in biblical truth.

English

This language curriculum is designed to foster a strong understanding of grammar, mechanics, and composition, while encouraging students to apply these skills to their everyday writing and speaking. Students follow a structured and clear progression through key language concepts. The program emphasizes practical grammar usage, including capitalization, punctuation, sentence structure, and all eight parts of speech, with frequent cumulative reviews and a helpful reference section. Paired with Creative Writing, students are guided to think critically and express their ideas clearly and creatively through various writing forms. Composition instruction includes a variety of assignments such as book reports, letters, dialogue

Chapel

Chapel is a vital part of students' spiritual growth at Schaumburg Christian School, providing worship, teaching, and reflection rooted in biblical truth. It fosters a Christ-centered worldview, encouraging students to strengthen their faith and live out Christian values in all areas of life. Our goal is to equip students with a lasting biblical foundation that shapes their character, decisions, and relationships.

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writing, compare and contrast paragraphs, narrative writing, poetry, and research reports. Students are taught to use the full writing process, including planning, drafting, revising, and finalizing their work. They also learn how to use reference tools like dictionaries and thesauruses, and apply proofreading marks and checklists to improve clarity and correctness. Biblical principles are naturally woven throughout the instruction, helping students grow as thoughtful communicators who reflect Christian values.

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English Accelerated

This Accelerated 8th Grade English course is designed to strengthen students' grammar, composition, and literary analysis skills, preparing them for high school-level language arts. Students will build a deep understanding of key grammar concepts, including sentence structure, punctuation, capitalization, and the eight parts of speech. Through consistent practice and reviews, students will gain proficiency in these foundational elements of writing. Composition assignments, including essays, book reports, poetry, and research papers, will guide students through the complete writing process while encouraging creativity and clear expression. Additionally, the course integrates a study of literature, spelling, and vocabulary development, reinforcing language skills through exposure to a variety of literary genres. Throughout the course, students will learn how to use reference tools, such as dictionaries and thesauruses, to enhance their writing. They will also practice critical thinking and thoughtful communication, with a focus on Christian values. With a combination of cumulative testing, quizzes, and regular homework assignments, students will consistently review and reinforce their learning, ensuring a strong foundation in English that will support their future academic success.

Math

The mathematics curriculum emphasizes number sense, operations, and problem-solving, with students developing fluency in whole numbers, decimals, fractions, Roman numerals, and place value up to the hundred billions. Core operations are taught through mental math, standard algorithms, and properties like the commutative and distributive laws, while pre-algebra concepts introduce variables, expressions, and

History & Geography

This curriculum focuses on developing a Christian worldview of ancient civilizations from Creation to AD 1500, examining the historical, cultural, and societal developments of these civilizations. Students will gain map skills and learn about climate, natural resources, and topography, while comparing the characteristics of ancient civilizations with modern regions. The curriculum covers key historical events, conflicts, and archaeological findings, alongside the study of ancient governments, empires, rulers, and city development. Students explore the economic systems of trade, currency, and job specialization, and delve into the cultural aspects of religions, philosophies, customs, arts, and languages. Ancient influences on American government and economy will also be explored. The curriculum promotes the development of social studies skills such as analyzing cause and effect, understanding timelines, evaluating costs and benefits, and working with primary sources.

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equations. Students also build skills in estimation, integers, and part-whole relationships. Geometry and measurement topics include shapes, angles, solids, symmetry, perimeter, area, volume, and both metric and customary systems, along with practical applications like time, temperature, and wages. In statistics, students analyze data using various graphs and measures of central tendency. The curriculum integrates problem-solving strategies, visual reasoning, and real-world applications of ratios, proportions, and percents to prepare students for higher-level math.

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Math Accelerated

The mathematics curriculum builds a strong foundation in number sense, algebra, geometry, measurement, probability, and statistics, starting with operations involving whole numbers, decimals, integers, fractions, and rational numbers. Students develop skills in algebraic expressions, equations, and inequalities, applying concepts like ratios, proportions, percentages, and rates to real-life scenarios. Geometry covers angles, polygons, triangle theorems, and formulas for area, perimeter, surface area, and volume, using both customary and metric units. The program also includes data analysis, graphing, probability, and an introduction to functions and linear relationships, fostering critical thinking, problem-solving, and fluency for advanced math success.

Science

This curriculum offers a comprehensive exploration of general science, covering essential process skills, science tools, and the scientific method. In Earth Science, students will study the Earth, including earthquakes, volcanoes, weathering, erosion, soil formation, and natural resources, focusing on renewable and nonrenewable energy sources, conservation, and recycling. Space exploration will cover stars, constellations, the solar system, and space technology like telescopes, satellites, and probes. In Life Science, students will explore living organisms, from cell structure and classification to animal and plant reproduction, genetics, and the six kingdoms of life. The human body section delves into systems such as the nervous and immune systems, focusing on health, diseases, and body functions. Physical Science covers the principles of motion and machines, Newton's laws, energy concepts such as electricity and magnetism, and the fundamentals of chemistry, including atoms, elements, and chemical reactions. This curriculum integrates hands-on learning and real-world applications to foster a deep understanding of scientific principles.

Physical Education

Physical Education is a daily activity based course that provides students with instruction and opportunities to develop skills in various sports and activities that promote physical fitness. Students receive instruction and opportunities to play various sports including, but not limited to basketball, badminton, floor hockey, volleyball, soccer, softball, team handball, and flag football. Students participate in games and tournaments to teach sportsmanship, teamwork, and sport appreciation.

Electives

Art

This course is an introduction to nineteen mediums of art. Grades and credit are received for this class. This class is offered to 6th-12th students who have art experience and/or are interested in developing their skills in different areas of art. The course consists of art instruction, individual assignments, art projects, and preparation for competition. Students will participate in art exhibits, art competitions, and the opportunity to compete in the IACS JH/SH Fine Arts Tournaments. The senior high winners from this competition will go to the national competition in South Carolina. The course is designed to help the student learn from a Christian view point why God created art and how it can be used in different career fields and everyday life.

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Keyboarding

Students learn to type without looking at the keyboard using the Touch Typing method. Lessons and drills train finger placement, accuracy, and speed. Students usually start the course typing between 5 and 15 words per minute (wpm). The end goal of the course is to have students touch typing at 30wpm with 90% accuracy for 3 minutes.

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