

TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Pre-K through Eighth Grade COURSE OFFERINGS

The goal of Trinity Christian School is to provide a sound spiritual and academic education resulting in a Christian worldview. This is best accomplished by ensuring our curriculum maintains a consistent, developmental progression from our students' earliest years through their graduation from high school. By doing so, we are able to fulfill the school's mission of training our students as disciples of Jesus Christ who will have a positive influence on our world.

BIBLE

Bible is taught at every grade level, beginning in Preschool and continuing through high school. Students study events and people in the Old and New Testaments and apply Scriptural truths to daily life as they learn how God uses people to glorify Himself in our daily lives. Memorization of Scripture and the books of the Bible are also incorporated in daily lessons. The Word of God is the basis for everything we attempt to accomplish at Trinity Christian School. It is not only

a separate subject but is integrated into every part of the instructional day. We believe the Bible is the inerrant, inspired Word of God and the final authority for discerning all truth (II Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1:20-21).

READING

Reading is taught from the Preschool through First grade using a strong phonics-based reading approach that will enable the student to become a fluent reader. Beginning in Second grade and continuing through Fifth grade emphasis is placed on developing fluency and comprehension during oral and silent reading in order to aid students in living successfully in God's world. The ability to read and comprehend the Bible is primary; however, through various reading selections students are also presented with ideals of patriotism, honesty, respect for authority, industry, perseverance, cheerfulness, kindness, personal initiative, and respect for God and His Word.

LITERATURE

Students in grades Six through Eight continue to acquire reading and thinking skills through the study of a variety of literary genres that will help them become critical readers and prepare them for the higher level of

reading that will be required as they enter high school.

ENGLISH

Our intensive instruction in grammar prepares students to become not only effective, fluent writers but also critical readers in all areas of the curriculum. Trinity provides instruction in the English language using the Shurley English curriculum beginning in the First grade and continuing through Middle School.

SPELLING & VOCABULARY

Spelling and Vocabulary are taught from First grade through high school with the primary emphasis on learning reliable spelling generalizations and the ability to spell all forms of words properly across the curriculum, while continuing to increase vocabulary.

MATHEMATICS

Trinity's goal is to provide our Elementary and Middle school students with a solid background in Mathematics that will enable them to succeed in the higher-level Mathematics courses offered at our high school level. Beginning with concrete concepts and moving to the abstract, students demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of mathematics in both hands-on and

written assignments. The Primary grades focus on fundamental arithmetic concepts while Intermediate and Middle school grades place emphasis on developing good problem skills and application to real world situations.

SCIENCE

Beginning in Kindergarten and continuing through high school, students at Trinity learn Science through Christian curriculum with hands-on activities and instruction in the physical and earth sciences allowing the students to experience and study various laws of nature that God has put into place.

HEALTH

Godly character traits are emphasized through the study of safety, manners, good health habits, care of our bodies, and spiritual growth. The wonder of our bodies and God's care for us is revealed as the student studies basic human anatomy.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Social Studies is taught from Kindergarten through high school and deals primarily with relationships and interaction with God, our fellow man, and our physical environment. The

sovereignty of God can be clearly seen through the study of history, historical figures, and geography, which enables us to develop a Christian worldview that encompasses more than our local community. The students will develop an understanding of God's sovereignty and the importance of becoming good citizens as the rise and fall of various civilizations and historical figures are examined. Geography is taught in First through Fifth grades and again in Seventh grade. The study of geography assists the students in acquiring an appreciation for the majesty of Creation.

ELEMENTARY SPECIAL CLASSES

The following classes are offered for grades K through Fifth:

Art
Band
Computer
French
Library
Music
Physical Education
Science Lab
Spanish

MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVE AND ROTATION CLASSES

The following classes are offered for grades Six through Eight on a rotating and elective basis:

Art
Band
Chorus
French
Keyboarding
Music
Physical Education
Spanish

ACCREDITATION

Trinity is a member of ACSI (Association of Christian Schools, International) and is currently undergoing the three-year K-12 accreditation process with a goal of reaching accreditation in 2010.

ATHLETICS

Trinity offers athletic opportunities from First through Twelfth grades. Basketball and Soccer are offered at both the Elementary and Middle school levels.