

## **Elementary Curriculum Resources 2025-2026**

	Kindergarten	1st Grade	2nd Grade	3rd Grade	4th Grade	5th Grade
Chapel	Chapel is held weekly, providing worship music, ministry opportunities, student testimonies and sharing, interactive messages and special speakers. Parents are welcome to attend.					
<b>Bible</b> daily devotions, prayer, memory verses and application	DeepRoots Survey of the Bible	DeepRoots OT: Creation through The Promised Land	DeepRoots NT: The Gospels	DeepRoots OT: Israel	DeepRoots NT: Acts and the Early Church	Three "The Case for" books by Lee Strobel and Foundation Worldview curriculum
Service Opportunities	Multiple age-appropriate ministry and service projects are conducted; some scheduled and some spontaneous, to serve fellow students or communities in need.					
Math	Everyday Math	Everyday Math	Everyday Math	Everyday Math	Everyday Math	Everyday Math
<b>Science</b> Taught for 2 quarters each year.	Mystery Science: Animal Secrets, Plant Secrets, Wild Weather, Circle of Seasons	Mystery Science: Lights and Sounds, Animal Superpowers	Mystery Science: Material Magic, Work of Water	Mystery Science: Stormy Skies, Invisible Forces	Mystery Science: The Human Machine, The Birth of Rocks, Waves of Sound, Energizing Everything	Mystery Science: Spaceship Earth, Web of Life, Watery Planet
Social Studies Integrated into each grade's content are economic concepts and geography skills. Taught for 2 quarters each year.	Nystrom Young Citizens: Family, communities, our world	Nystrom Young Citizens: Towns, states, and countries	Nystrom Young Citizens: Expanding knowledge of neighborhoods, cities, states, and the US	Nystrom Young Citizens: How cities, states, and countries change	Indiana Studies Weekly Indiana history from 1700-1900; research skills	Nystrom Young Citizens: U.S. History to 1801, including geography, government, and economics
English Language Arts	Amplify CKLA:  CKLA (Core Knowledge Language Arts) provides a comprehensive language arts curriculum based in the Science of Learning. Reading instruction for grades K-2 focuses on phonics, phonemic awareness, fluency, and oral language comprehension. In grades 3-5, foundational reading skills are maintained, and a greater focus is placed on individual reading comprehension. Students will learn spelling patterns and/or morphology, grammar, writing, vocabulary, and handwriting in conjunction with what they are reading. Cursive instruction begins in 3rd grade.					
Technology	Throughout elementary, students learn basic keyboarding skills and use computers for internet safety, word processing, presentations, and programming. Students encounter hands-on problem-solving-based curriculum using art, mechanics, computer programming and robotics.					
Music	Singing, playing, movement and basic music concepts	Singing, instruments, movement, listening, rhythm, durations and melody	Singing and instruments with reading music	Reading music, solo and group performance, rhythm and composers	New percussion instruments and recorder performances with new musical styles	Pitch, tempo, rounds, descants and harmony. Recorders, percussion, vocal ensembles and solos
Art	From basic design to "copying the masters," students will use a variety of media each year with developmentally-appropriate instruction to facilitate creativity, problem solving and self-expression through drawing, sculpture and observation.					
Media Center/Library	Develop a love for reading; learn fiction and non-fiction, introduce Caldecott Award books, reading centers, and Christian authors		Independent use of book sections and Destiny online catalog, introduction to research, reading centers, expand knowledge of Caldecott Award winners	Expanded genres of literature, research using different media including books, ebooks, and online resources, introduce Newbery Award winners and STEM makerspaces	Independent use of non-fiction, appreciation of all fiction genres and award-winning books, STEM makerspaces to include robotics, coding, engineering, digital citizenship, art and electricity, research using online resources, and Google Workspace for Education.	
Physical Education	Introduction to basic sports and activity skills  Ongoing development of physical awareness, locomotor and non-locomotor skills through the use of games, sports, and special activities; participation confidence is developed with good fitness habits, sportsmanship, leadership, and teamwork skills					
Spiritual Formation	Students are taught spiritual disciplines such as prayer, worship, and Bible study in efforts to develop their hearts for God. The focus of this special area is to guide them as they build a relationship with God and conform to the image of Jesus Christ through knowing His Word and His heart for them.					

All grades use Indiana Academic Standards, and curriculum is biblically integrated with Biblical Worldview Standards.

**Special optional instruction** may be offered on an occasional basis. These classes may be held before or after school.

Clubs and other activities include the CAI Running Club, New Albany Track Club, Art Club, Hand Chime Choir, an Orff and Percussion Club, and theater/drama/musical opportunities.

**Elementary sports** include athletic clinics for volleyball, basketball, cheerleading, and soccer. 5th graders can join middle school for tennis, soccer, volleyball, cross country, basketball, cheerleading, archery, softball, baseball, and track and field.



Our Junior Academy (ages 3-4) is an interactive school environment, preparing our youngest students for a love for learning and love for God. Chapel, Bible stories, math, spelling, phonics, music, and play time all direct students to an excitement for learning new things about God, their world and themselves.