

Bible---Two times a week we'll have Bible history for grades 5-8. A portion of the Bible, the New Testament, will be studied and discussed. Some type of assignment will be given. Memory work will be assigned each class to be said by the next class period. The NIV (New International Bible) is used.

Hymnology---Each week on Wednesday we'll set aside some time to learn a new hymn from our Christian Worship hymnal. The hymn should be said during the week or may be written the following Wednesday.

Math---Each day we'll have math class. Time is sometimes spent in class correcting to determine if there are any questions or types of problems to review. Class will also be a time to present new material and then time to practice together. Math assignments will be due by the next day's class. Every 4 or 5 classes we'll have a test to determine if any extra review is needed.

Spelling---This year we'll be using a different spelling series. Each week we'll have a new set of spelling words to study---spelling of the word and the meaning of the word. A workbook written lesson also uses those words and is due by Friday morning. A practice-spelling test is given each Thursday. A final test is given on Friday for those who didn't score perfectly on the practice test. One religious word is added to the list each week. Parents can help by practicing the spelling words with their child.

History---History is scheduled for 3 or 4 classes each week. The 7-8 grade class will be studying American history beginning in the early explorations. The 5-6 graders will be studying the New World (Western Hemisphere). Assignments will be given and due by the next class time. From time to time, special class projects will be given.

Science---Grades 7-8 have four classes each week and will study from three texts---The Human Body, Sound and Light, Forces and Energy, and Ecology and the Environment. Grades 5-6 will have three classes each week. From time to time special science projects will be given, including an experiment that students put together at home and display at school. Assignments will be due the next class period.

English---This year we will work from an English series called Grammar and Writing. Each grade will have an English class 5 times per week. Time in class will be spent studying the parts of speech, punctuation, sentence outlines, and miscellaneous items. Students will take a test after every five lessons, have dictation tests, and practice writing by writing in journals and for class assignments. Assignments will be due by the next English class.

Art---Each week we'll have one period of time set aside for art on Thursday afternoons. Art could be art appreciation, craft, drawing, or many other types. We hope to gain an appreciation of art and practice with our own hands different mediums. Please make sure your student has all needed art materials the first day of school.

Reading---Reading classes will be held four times a week. In Grades 5-6 we'll read selections from the new textbooks, practice reading skills in a workbook, and each reading class will read 4-5 trade book classics. Each week we'll put extra practice into building a larger vocabulary by using a special Vocabulary Book. Grades 7-8 will use a new literature book. It will present a great selection of short stories and poems for reading and studying. As in each year, each student is required to read 6 new books out of class and present a written book report.

Gym---Each Friday grades 5-8 will have gym class. Its purpose will be to get some exercise, learn teamwork, and learn skills and rules for different physical activities. Make sure students have proper shoes and clothes for class.

German---Our schedule has two German classes each week. We'll concentrate on vocabulary development. A small booklet with German stories will be used for practice in translations and each student will have a special folder to house the weekly German papers.

Current Events---Each week we'll receive a current events magazine to read. On Wednesdays we'll discuss the magazine and check over whatever was included in the magazine. Plus, from time to time we may use the newspaper or online current events. Most certainly we'll be covering the November elections.

Music---Once a week students who need music class will have a recorder class to learn music theory. This is for students who don't have regular music lessons in piano, guitar, or organ.