



TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

BIBLE: The Beginner Bible

- Understanding the Bible as God's Word
- To gain an understanding of God's love for us
- Building Christ-like character traits
- Understanding and memorization weekly Bible verses
- Increase Bible knowledge through reading of Bible stories and lessons
- Weekly chapel
- Learn to pray with thanksgiving for God's creation, each other, family, school, etc.

LANGUAGE/ PHONICS: Abeka & Heggerty

- Language development
- Recognize opposites and positional words (prepositions)
- Understanding of several ASL signs
- Rhyming
- Introduction to letters and letter concepts
- Letter recognition-capital and lowercase A-Z
- Vowel and consonant sounds
- Blends and consonant-vowel-consonant words
- High frequency words
- Introduction to sight words
- Reading groups with simple readers
- Rich literature including poems and rhymes

SCIENCE: Teacher Created

- Colors and water
- Sink/Float
- Food/Nutrition
- Magnets
- Mixing/Making
- Growing/Planting
- Seasons/Weather
- Life Cycles

WRITING: Zaner Bloser

- Proper pencil grasp
- Master coloring within the lines
- Review of pre-writing skills
- Learn to write first name correctly
- Write numbers 0-20
- Write capital and lowercase letters

MATH: Abeka

- Calendar- Months, weeks, days in order
- Count to 100 by ones and tens
- Recognize shapes: Circle, square, rectangle, triangle
- Number concepts
- Develop concepts of patterning and sequencing using colors, shapes, and numbers
- Compare numbers: more or less, equal, before or after, larger or smaller
- Arranging numbers in order
- Understanding of measurement such as length, height and weight

SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL:

- Small and large group play
- Identify feelings and emotions with verbal language
- Self regulation
- Express needs in a healthy way
- Understand and demonstrate empathy
- Sharing and taking turns
- Follow routines and 2-3 directions at one time
- Self-help skills and responsibilities
- Showing respect towards others
- Demonstrate kindness, manners and helpfulness
- Teaching Pyramid Framework for Preschools

PHYSICAL:

Gross Motor:

- Swinging
- Monkey bars
- Completes jumping jacks, push ups and sit ups
- Able to skip
- Stands on one foot for more than 10 seconds
- Uses legs to pump on a swing

Fine Motor:

- Coloring, tracing, painting and cutting
- Can complete simple dot to dot
- Can trace around own hand with a crayon
- Zips most zippers
- Draws a person with a body
- Successfully prints several capital letters
- Uses manipulatives such as playdough, interlocking blocks and lacing
- Learns to tie shoes





KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

BIBLE: Deep Roots

- Creation and the Fall of Man
- Old Testament Heroes of Faith
- Christmas Nativity Story
- Easter Story "The Holy Week"—Jesus' Death, Burial, and Resurrection
- Teachings and Miracles of Jesus

READING/PHONICS: Abeka

- To recognize and name all upper/lower case letters of the alphabet
- Identify beginning/ending sounds
- Read consonant-vowel blends
- Read one /two vowel words
- Follow words from left to right and top to bottom of a page
- Identify and produce rhyming words
- Differentiate short/long vowels, consonants, blends and special sounds
- Read sight words
- Read short stories
- Retell familiar stories
- Answer questions about a story

WRITING: Abeka

- Recognize that names, places, and beginning of sentences begin with capitals
- Recognize a period, question mark, and exclamation mark and know they come at the end of a sentence
- Demonstrate good penmanship as they copy sentences from another paper or the board

PENMANSHIP: Abeka

- Use correct posture and pencil grip.
- Implement correct letter formation/size, and spacing

MATH: Saxon

- Count and recognize numbers 1-100
- Identify, describe, and extend simple patterns
- Name before, after, and between numbers
- Recognize number words one to ten
- Count to 100 by 1's, 5's, and 10's
- Add and subtract combinations for the 1-10 families
- Telling time to the hour
- Recognize and count pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters
- Calendar - Months, weeks, days in order
- Graph simple mathematical data

SOCIAL STUDIES: Bob Jones

- Understand and use proper manners
- Recognize the importance of community helpers
- Understand the holidays and traditions of other countries around the world
- Understand the ethnic diversity of our world through our heritage unit
- American Legends - Pocahontas, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr. Christopher Columbus, First Thanksgiving, Native Americans, Johnny Appleseed
- Basic map skills
- California and national symbols

SCIENCE:

- Understand the importance of proper nutrition
- Describe the characteristics of each season
- Discover the lifecycle and habitats of animals
- Discover the attributes of plants, insects, and ocean life
- Understand the importance of recycling
- Introduced to the Scientific Method
- Introduced to the states of Matter
- Introduce STEM projects and concepts
- Understand the Five Senses
- Identify some of earth's resources

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FIRST GRADE CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

BIBLE: Deep Roots

- Study Biblical principles of Truth found in scripture
- Tell the characteristics of God
- Develop an understanding of character traits
- Memorize scripture
- Write what Biblical character traits mean to them

READING: Abeka

- Develop visual and auditory skills
- Use phonetic analysis
- Analyze word structure
- Recognize and use syllables
- Comprehend literally and interpretively
- Locate information in a given text
- Identify literary genre

LANGUAGE/PHONICS: Abeka

- Differentiate short and long vowels, consonants, and blends
- Identify rhyming and compound words
- Utilize correct syntax and grammatical structure
- Identify root words, suffixes, and prefixes
- Determine opposites, homonyms, and contractions

SPELLING: Abeka

- Develop word analyses: digraphs, vowels, blends, and diphthongs
- Write words that are dictated
- Demonstrate usage: capitalization and contractions

WRITING: Abeka

- Demonstrate correct sentence structure and complete sentence usage
- Write short stories and reports
- Write letters and postcards

MATH: Saxon

- Count, read, write, and represent a number of objects less than 120
- Use place value and properties of operations to add and subtract numbers within 20
- Develop strategies for problem solving and mathematical reasoning
- Collect, organize, and interpret data
- Create, identify, and extend patterns
- Use terms same, more, fewer, greater than, less than, equal to, greatest, and least
- Count by 2s, 3s, 5s, 10s, 25s, 50s
- Read a calendar
- Identify and sort two and three dimensional shapes
- Estimate, measure, and compare weights and measures
- Tell and write time to the hour and half hour
- Identify and count simple coin combinations

SCIENCE: Bob Jones

- Earth - Seasons, Weather, Space, Sun, Moon, & Stars
- Life - Animals & Plants, Human Body - Senses
- Health & Safety
- Physical - Motion, Forces, & Matter

SOCIAL STUDIES: Bob Jones

- Recognize the importance of citizenship and community helpers
- List forms of transportation
- Describe the significance of family interaction
- Identify historical figures
- Discover the Christian worldview of holidays
- Utilize basic map skills

PENMANSHIP: Abeka

- Use correct posture and pencil grip
- Implement structure of letter formation: slant, shape, slope, spacing, and size



SECOND GRADE CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

BIBLE: Deep Roots

- Web-based Bible curriculum on teaching a Biblical worldview
- Read key passages in the Gospels to learn about the life and miracles of Jesus Christ (Christology)
- Learn key concepts of discipleship through Biblical principles
- Provide training on apologetics (how to defend the faith)

READING: Bob Jones

- Read and understand a variety of types and forms of reading materials (genres)
- Develop and use reading skills and strategies to increase fluency and comprehension
- Develop a sense of story by identifying literary elements

LANGUAGE: Bob Jones

- Understand sentence structure and apply it in speech and writing
- Identify parts of speech and demonstrate understanding of its role in sentences through proper use in speech and writing
- Develop study and reference skills
- Name the steps in the writing process and apply these in creating different types of writing for different purposes

SPELLING: Bob Jones

- Develop consistent study method when learning to spell
- Classify words by spelling patterns and strategies for application
- Analyze words through proofreading skills to promote spelling consciousness

WRITING: Institute of Excellence in Writing

- Learn to write with Structure and style through stories based on people that make up our community.
- Write paragraphs, stories, reports, and creative writing
- Activities and games for writing enrichment

MATH: Saxon

- Number Sense - place value, comparing numbers, order and patterns
- Add and subtract to the thousands place
- Multiply and divide by 1,2,3,4,5,10
- Daily Math facts practice for mastery
- Measurements - length, mass, volume, using metric and standard systems
- Mental math and estimation - addition, subtraction and rounding
- Money - identifying coins and bills, comparing amounts
- Real-world problem solving
- Picture graphs, shapes and patterns

SCIENCE: Bob Jones (+STEM activities)

- Biblical worldview
- General - Engineering and STEM process skills
- Earth Science - Parts, Movement, Natural Resources
- Life - Living things, Fossils, Plants, Habitats, Human Body
- Physical - Force and Motion, Energy, Matter

SOCIAL STUDIES: Bob Jones

- Develop a Biblical worldview with Community and Government
- Concepts with units on Citizenship, Government, Economics, Geography, and Culture
- Provide essential questions and background information to clarify and enhance lessons
- Learning about people who make a difference

PENMANSHIP: Zaner-Bloser

- Apply the Zaner-Bloser 4 Keys to Legibility - shape, size, spacing and slant, in copying handwriting samples
- Use the four keys of legibility in creating personal writing

BIBLE: Deep Roots

- Free Will: The ability to choose between right and wrong.
- The Fall: Consequences of Adam and Eve's disobedience (sin, suffering, death).
- Graciousness & God's Love: God's mercy and care despite the Fall.
- Moral Responsibility: Recognizing our ability to make moral choices.
- Recognizing Lies: Identifying and replacing false beliefs with Biblical truth.
- Genesis & History: Defending the coherence of Genesis and its alignment with ancient texts.
- Biblical Geography: Exploring the Garden of Eden's location.
- Role of the Soul & Relationships: The eternal soul and the importance of loving, unified relationships.

READING: Bob Jones

- Use phonetic analysis
- Develop vocabulary
- Comprehend literally and interpretively through silent reading, guided discussion, & oral reading
- Locate and present information from a given text through book reports
- Identify characteristics of various genres of literature (fiction, tall tales, biography, non-fiction, poetry)

LANGUAGE: Bob Jones

- Identify parts of speech and form complete sentences
- Use correct punctuation (periods, commas, question marks, quotation marks, exclamation points)
- Capitalize words when appropriate
- Utilize the dictionary, encyclopedia & thesaurus
- Form plurals and possessives of nouns
- Write friendly letters, persuasive essays, stories with dialogue, book reports, sound poems, research report, and compare & contrast essays.

SPELLING: Bob Jones

- Teach spelling patterns & strategies for application
- Teach basic dictionary skills & effective proofreading skills
- Write words and sentences that are dictated
- Spell words from high-frequency word lists

WRITING: Institute of Excellence in Writing

- Learn to organize their thoughts clearly and add engaging stylistic elements to their writing
- How to break down writing tasks into manageable steps to prevent overwhelm
- How to use a simple checklist to help self-edit and include required elements in their writing
- Learn through imitation by analyzing and imitating well-constructed inspirational stories
- Key Word Outlines (KWOs): a simple but powerful tool to help them gather and organize their ideas.
- How to focus on specific writing skills and techniques (e.g., adding strong verbs or organizing paragraphs).

MATH: Saxon

- Develop number sense (place value to 10,000)
- Mental math and estimation
- Adding and subtracting to 10,000
- Multiply and divide fact families to 12
- Multiply 2 and 3 digit numbers; divide with remainders
- Counting, adding, and subtracting money
- Use standard and metric forms of measurement
- Bar graphs and line plots
- Fractions: understanding, comparing, adding and subtracting, equivalent
- Time and temperature
- Identify characteristics of various geometric shapes
- Analyze data and solve word problems
- Finding square roots
- Geometry: identifying solids, faces vertices and edges

SCIENCE: Bob Jones

- Earth - Rocks, Minerals, Soil, Weather, Space, Solar System
- Life - Cold & Warm Blooded Animals, Plants, Eco-System, Cells, Human Beings (Ear and Skin)
- Physical - Motion, Energy, Matter

SOCIAL STUDIES: Bob Jones

- Identify characteristics of great Americans, emphasizing patriotism, character development, and the variety of contributions made by Americans to this country.
- Analyze the significance of various explorers, presidents, inventors, Constitutional framers, African Americans, and evangelists, to our nation's history
- Daily Maps Skills

PENMANSHIP: Zaner-Bloser

- Demonstrate good penmanship (manuscript and cursive)
- Implement structure of letter formations: shape, slant, spacing and size of letters

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FOURTH GRADE CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

BIBLE: Deep Roots

Students will understand:

- That they are sinners and trust in Christ's forgiveness of sin
- That God desires all people to be saved
- How to defend their faith
- The challenges to the Christian Worldview
- That Jesus fulfilled messianic prophecy
- That people were designed to love and obey God as they serve one another

READING: Bob Jones

- Read narrative and expository text with fluency, accuracy, and expression
- Distinguish and interpret words with multiple meaning
- Make and confirm predictions about text
- Compare and contrast written information
- Distinguish between fact and opinion, and determine cause and effect for a character's actions
- Follow multi-step written instructions
- Use word study skills to determine word meaning with common roots and affixes, word origins, derivations, synonyms, antonyms, and idioms

LANGUAGE: Bob Jones

- Summarize major ideas, and supporting evidence
- Identify and correctly use grade level grammar
- Correctly use a variety of reference materials

WRITING: Institute of Excellence in Writing

- Organize notes with key outlines
- Retell events in organized manner
- Use key word outline to write paragraphs
- Write short paragraphs using story model
- Use "-ly" adverbs, a who/which clause to write paragraphs
- Use topic clincher and because clause in both paragraphs and reports
- Write from picture models using quality adjectives

SPELLING: Bob Jones

- Promote understanding that God created language and uses written language (The Bible) to communicate His truth and love
- Equip students to apply spelling skills (Spelling patterns and strategies for application) in order to produce accurate communication
- Reinforce recognition of misspelled words through proofreading
- Incorporate meaning-based word study and teach basic dictionary skills

MATH: Saxon

- Analyze and predict patterns
- Understand place value: perform multi-digit addition: use mental math
- Explore multiples & factors: multiplication & division with & without remainders: know multiplication facts through nines
- Count mixed coins & create coin combinations
- Determine the number of coins when the total value is known
- Read the hour & minute hands: discuss elapsed time
- Collect, organize, & interpret: predict & test probability of outcomes in simple experiments
- Compare experimental & theoretical probability
- Predict, collect & organize data into a bar graph: explore mean, median, mode, & range
- Convert feet to yards, examine mixed numbers & fractional parts: make connections to multiplication & division
- Understand conversions for standard and metric measurement systems
- Find the fraction of a set & compute with fractions; identify equivalent fractions
- Identify and describe angles and 3-D figures

SCIENCE: Bob Jones

- General - Process Skills
- Earth - Changes on the Earth, Landforms, Soil, Natural Resources, Water & Oceans
- Space - Moon, History of the Moon
- Life - Insects, Spiders, Plants, Eco-Systems, Animal Defenses, Human (Eyes, Digestive System, Nutrition, Skeletal, Muscular System)

HISTORY: Houghton Mifflin

- Demonstrate an understanding of physical and human geographic features that define places and regions in California
- Understand coordinate grid system of latitude and longitude
- Distinguish North and South Poles, Equator, Prime Meridian, and Hemispheres
- Demonstrate the ability to use maps and charts to describe different land use, vegetation, wild life, and climate
- Describe the social, political, cultural, and economic life and interactions among people of California

PENMANSHIP: Zaner-Bloser

- Write fluidly and legibly in cursive





FIFTH GRADE CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

BIBLE: Deep Roots

- Students will review stories from the Old Testament.
- Observe and discern Biblical text.
- Learn godly character traits.
- Discover the whole picture of each Bible story.
- Learn how to defend their faith against contradicting worldviews.
- How to practice God's teachings in everyday life.
- Weekly adventure game to aid in memorization of Bible verses.

READING: Bob Jones

- Read narrative and expository text with fluency, accuracy, and expression at grade level
- Identify and explain frequently used synonyms, homonyms, antonyms
- Develop, identify and use new vocabulary
- Put into sequence written and narrative writings
- Identify main ideas and supporting details
- Distinguish between fact and opinion in written material
- Identify the conflict in a story and its resolution
- Identify character traits from actions
- Identify types of fiction and writing purpose
- Use deductive reasoning and inference to determine plot outcome and make predictions

LANGUAGE: Bob Jones

- Identify the 8 parts of speech in a written sentence
- Identify correct and incorrect grade level grammar usage
- Use reference material including dictionary, atlas, thesaurus, concordance, index and glossary
- Write a journal response to literature using complete sentences with support

WRITING: Institute of Excellence in Writing

- Note making and key word outlines
- Writing from keyword outlines using stylistic techniques
- Retelling narrative stories using a story sequence chart.
- Summarizing a reference and summarizing multiple references
- Writing from pictures and inventive writing
- Use key word outline to write paragraphs
- Write short paragraphs using story model
- Use "-ly" adverbs, a who/which clause to write paragraphs
- Use topic clincher and because clause in both paragraphs and reports
- Write from picture models using quality adjectives

SPELLING: Bob Jones

- Spell grade appropriate words correctly using patterns
- Recognize phonetic spelling rules and sounds of grade appropriate words
- Define and proofread grade level spelling words

MATH: Saxon

- Digits, sequencing, place value, adding and subtracting whole numbers; comparing numbers and decimals
- Convert fractions to decimals & decimals to fractions
- Multiply & divide multi-digit numbers and decimals, and find missing factors; use money models
- Understand how to use letters as variables
- Add & subtract unlike fractions & mixed numbers & whole numbers
- Use estimation & mental math to estimate sums, differences, products & quotients for whole numbers, fractions & decimals
- Work with angles, apply the properties, & find the area & perimeter of geometric shapes; analyze prisms
- Make and use graphs for gathering/writing data
- Write ratios, perform probability, use symmetry
- Time, temperature, measurements/conversions

SCIENCE: Bob Jones

- Earth - Layers, Soil, Minerals, Rocks, Fossils, Layers of Atmosphere & Weather
- Life - Insect, Spiders, Plants, Eco-System, Animal Defenses
- Human - Eyes, Vocal-Cords, Breathing, Lungs, Circulatory System
- Physical - Energy (Heat, Sound, Light), Matter (Measuring, State of Matter, Physical Changes, Atoms and Molecules, Mixtures)

HISTORY: Abeka

- Name major historical events and leaders of the United States from European exploration through current times
- Recognize the Biblical foundation of our government
- Name, identify, and draw on a map the seven continents and 4 oceans, 13 original colonies and major US rivers and mountain chains

PENMANSHIP: Zaner-Bloser

- Write fluidly and legibly in cursive (placement, slant, & connections)

