

5th Grade Course Goals

- Bible:** This course is a survey of the Old Testament. It includes an in-depth study of the lives of various Bible characters presented in chronological order and choices made by these characters which serve as examples for students as they make their own choices.
- Social Studies:** Fifth grade students will strengthen knowledge of God and be encouraged in Christian growth. They will develop good citizenship through the balanced use of history, geography, government, economics and cultural skills. They will receive a balanced overview of American heritage. Fifth grade students will develop an understanding and an ability to discern connections between events. They will also be able to organize knowledge in a spiral pattern and in chronological order.
- Language Arts:** The 5th Grade Language Arts program is divided into four categories which consist of grammar, writing, reading, and spelling. By developing each of these areas students are better able to use God's gift of thought and language to reason, think, and develop complete orderly thoughts. With these skills a student is then able to purposely and clearly communicate God's orderly plan for the world and the plan of salvation for mankind in unique and creative ways.
- Mathematics:** Fifth grade Arithmetic will be taught from a Biblical worldview that stresses both spiritual and academic growth. This traditional arithmetic will lay the foundation for the student's understanding of mathematics. The student will learn the necessary facts needed for problem solving, reasoning, and critical thinking which will be built upon in consecutive years.
- Science:** In 5th Grade, students will see and understand the plan of God as it is revealed in this orderly creation. Students will be provided a solid foundation in science that is based on God's word and Christian principles. The students will learn basic science principles and develop thinking skills through demonstrations, experiments, projects, and research activities.
- Spanish:** Fifth Grade Spanish course is designed to incorporate communication skills to develop and reinforce Spanish language acquisition. This course will focus on essential vocabulary and structures while practicing different language skills. Students will acquire listening comprehension skills. Students will also communicate, build vocabulary, structure the language and enhance Hispanic cultural awareness.
- Computer:** Computer lab lessons are designed to teach students about the use of technology. Students will use a variety of applications throughout the year. Applications and topics of study include: *Microsoft Publisher, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Power Point, Microsoft Excel*, computer awareness, computer programming, internet safety and searches, keyboarding, multi-media presentation and how to run age appropriate software. Students will use Google Classroom to include Google docs, sheets, slides and drawings. In order to create the most effective learning environment for the students, lessons are integrated with classroom units to enhance learning in the core subject areas.
- Music:** Students will choose between band and choir. Both classes will learn musical concepts and theory needed for their instrument or voice. Students will participate in 2 concerts. Students will complete theory related worksheets for a grade. There will also be practice records and performance tests as a guide.
- Physical Education:** In Physical Education, students acquire the knowledge and skills for movement that provide the foundation for enjoyment, continued social development through physical activity, and access to a physically-active lifestyle. The student exhibits a physically-active lifestyle and understands

the relationship between physical activity and health throughout the lifespan. Fifth grade students demonstrate competence such as improved accuracy in manipulative skills in dynamic situations. Basic skills such as jumping rope, moving to a beat, and catching and throwing should have been mastered in previous years and can now be used in game-like situations. Students continue to assume responsibility for their own safety and the safety of others. Students can match different types of physical activities to health-related fitness components and explain ways to improve fitness based on the principle of frequency, intensity, and time. Students continue to learn the etiquette of participation and can resolve conflicts during games and sports in acceptable ways.

5th Grade Curriculum

Language Arts (A Beka, BJUP, ACSI):

Reading and Literature

Oral reading
Reading comprehension
Vocabulary building

Spelling and Poetry

Weekly word lists on various categories

Language

Writing Process
Sentences and sentence parts
Punctuation, capitalization, and quotation facts
Synonyms, antonyms, homonyms
Dictionary, thesaurus skills
Business letters
Making an outline
Writing a library research paper
Writing book reports
Creative writing
Grammar
Recognizing and diagramming all eight parts of speech
Recognizing and diagramming complements
Word usage

Social Studies (BJUP):

America's First People
European Exploration and Settlement
The 13 Colonies
American Independence
The Early National Period
The Young Nation Grows
The Civil War
Reconstruction and the West
The Gilded Age
America's Influence Spreads Abroad
The First World War
Roaring '20s and Depressing '30s
Rulers with Iron Fists
The Second World War

Spanish (McGraw Hill):

Introduction to Spanish
Vocabulary and Sentence Structure
Verb Conjugation
Understand the culture
Name and Greetings
Feelings
Numbers 1-100
Classroom objects / Subjects
Numbers in every day situations
Colors and Shapes
Calendar / Days of the week
Weather / Seasons
Months of the year
Likes - dislikes
Singular pronouns to clarify
también and *tampoco*
Adverbs, such as *siempre*, *a veces*, and *nunca*

Science (BJUP):

Minerals and Rocks
Fossils and Dinosaurs
Matter
Energy and Heat
Weather
Biomes
Interactions in an Ecosystem
Changes in an Ecosystem
Sound
Light
Respiratory System
Circulatory System

Math (BJUP):

Recognizing and Writing Numerals
Place Value
Positive and Negative Numbers
Expressions and Equations
Operations with Whole Numbers
Commutative, Associative, Distributive Properties
Zero Principle
Ordering and Naming Fractions and Decimals
Operations with Fractions and Decimals
Lines and Angles
Plane Figures
Transformations
Solid Figures
Circles
Estimation and Rounding
Measurement: length, capacity, weight, mass, temperature
Problem Solving
Line Graphs
Stem-and-Leaf Plots
Pictographs
Bar Graphs
Measures of Central Tendency
Equivalent Ratios
Unit Rates
Fractions, Decimals, and Percents

Bible (ACSI):

Studies in the Old Testament that emphasize choices and their consequences, such as Abraham, Joseph, Moses, Joshua, Deborah, Gideon, Samson, Ruth, Samuel, Saul, David, Solomon, Elijah, Elisha, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah (includes memory verses and Bible doctrine).

BJUP – Bob Jones University Press

ACSI – Association of Christian Schools International