



SEVENTH GRADE PROGRAM

The instruction at Trinity Academy includes a hands-on, multi-sensory approach. Scripture and a biblical worldview are emphasized and integrated into each subject area.

CORE SUBJECTS *daily instruction*

BIBLE/SPIRITUAL FORMATION:

Resource: Bible (ESV); Summit Ministries *Walking in Truth - Competing Worldviews*

- Attend weekly chapel and weekly small groups
- Study the spread of the Gospel and the growth of the church in Acts
- Study how the growth of the church affects cultures and the lives of people in the first century
- Study the Christian worldview and how other major modern worldviews differ
- Learn to discern between the different major worldviews
- Memorize Scripture that corresponds to worldview and textual topics.
- Memorize catechisms that teach foundational Christian doctrine

READING/LANGUAGE ARTS:

Resources: *Membean* (web-based vocabulary), Irby Rules, various novels, Institute for Excellence in Writing (IEW)

- Study grammar: parts of speech, sentence structure and mechanics
- Learn the writing process: planning, drafting, revising and publishing
- Understand paragraph development and organization
- Craft and execute writing projects
- Read and discuss a variety of novels
- Receive systematic vocabulary instruction

LATIN:

- Learn major Latin roots
- Analyze grammatical constructions for English application
- Memorize ancient prayers
- Discover and teach new words that have Latin origins
- Translate from Latin to English
- Further study of the cultural context of the language

MATH:

Resource: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt *Pre-Algebra*; McGraw-Hill *Math with Pizzazz*

- Variables, expressions, and integers
- Solving equations and inequalities
- Factors, fractions, and exponents
- Rational numbers and equations
- Ratio, proportion, and percents
- Linear functions
- Real numbers
- Measurement, area, and volume
- Data analysis and probability
- Angle relationships and transformations

HISTORY/SOCIAL STUDIES:

Resource: BJU Press *World Studies*

Focus: Middle Ages to the present

- Equip students to analyze and evaluate critical world events from a Biblical worldview
- Study geography: The influence of geography on the development of civilizations
- Study economics: Comparative economics historically and geographically
- Study religion: Historical comparison of world religions
- Study culture: Arts, sciences, ways of life in the past and present

SCIENCE:

Resource: *Life Science* BJU Press

- Foundations of life science
- Heredity and the origin of life
- Microbiology and plant biology
- The animal kingdom
- Interactions in the environment
- The complex design of the human body
- Review and utilize the scientific method through labs and experiments
- Integrate our understanding of science into a biblical framework

ELECTIVES

VOCAL MUSIC:

- Correctly describe intervals, music notation, musical instruments, and musical performances
- Perform independently with accurate intonation and rhythm
- Perform expressively, from memory and notation, a varied repertoire of music

BAND:

- Build upon skills developed in sixth grade
- Study music theory and music styles

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC:

- Study Christian music as an intimate response to God
- Exemplify a worship lifestyle by being a servant leader

DRAMA:

- Fundamentals of performance
- Set creation
- Script writing

LEADERSHIP:

- Serving others
- Communication
- Character of a leader

ART:

- Use a variety of art media such as crayons, markers, oil pastels, chalk pastels, watercolor paint, tempera paint, printmaking, collage, clay, fibers and sculpture
- Learn elements of art (line, shape, color, texture, form, value and space)
- Learn principles of design (balance, contrast, emphasis, movement, pattern, proportion, repetition and unity)
- Study famous artists and develop vocabulary to discuss and critique famous art
- Begin to develop skills to self critique artwork and revise to make improvements
- All art lessons will be taught through a biblical lens in which students understand God is the first and greatest creator, artistic talent comes from God and art can be used to praise God

PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

- Learn to give your best effort, being respectful and responsible
- Learn throwing and catching techniques through volleyball, dodgeball, soccer, kickball games, badminton, tag games, bowling and basketball
- Develop skills needed to work independently and with others in physical activity settings

CENTRAL PLAINS LEAGUE MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

- Football
- Cheerleading
- Volleyball
- Cross Country
- Basketball
- Track
- Scholars Bowl
- Math/Science/
Art/Quiz Bowl