

Eighth Grade

Bible Curriculum: Summit *Light Bearers*

Lightbearers is a video-based curriculum designed to help students clearly understand the tenets of the Christian worldview, and how they compare to the tenets of the leading humanistic worldviews of our day. Students will learn how to apply their Christian faith to every area of life: theology, philosophy, ethics, biology, sociology, psychology, law, politics, economics, and history.

Language Arts Curriculum:

Reading *Purposeful Design* Publishing

The reading program integrates language arts and literature with lessons in literature that precede each prose selection and teach a progression of language arts skills that build, one on the other. It contains short stories, a complete chapter book, drama, poetry, and nonfiction.

Students study vocabulary and literary terms throughout the text, and they integrate writing skills.

English *BJU* Publishing

Students will focus on parts of speech, sentence structure, mechanics, usage, and writing.

Math Curriculum: *BJU Press*

Algebra I – High School Credit

Real Number Operations
Variables and Equations
Using Equations

Solving Inequalities
Relations and Functions
Linear Functions

Science Curriculum: *BJU Publications*, Other Resources, and STEAM lab

Earth and Environmental – High School Credit

Students will find that Earth science is a battle of worldviews. The text clearly introduces students to the secular theories of where everything they see came from. They critique these theories. For each secular theory, the text affirms the conservative biblical view of Earth's history shaped by Creation, the Fall, and the Flood. Students' Christian worldviews will be shaped and strengthened as they learn about tectonic processes, landforms and earth materials, fossils, the oceans and oceanography, rivers and lakes, the atmosphere, weather and storms, climate and environmentalism, the solar system, the universe and cosmology, and space science.

All Chapters Include Lab Work Students Must Complete:

The World of Earth Science	Ocean Motion
Matter, Forces, and Energy	Ocean Exploration
Maps and Mapping	Surface Waters
Geology	Ground Water
The Changing Earth	The Earth's Atmosphere
Earthquakes	Weather
Mountains & Hills	Storms and Weather Prediction
Volcanoes and Volcanism	Climate and Climate Change
Minerals and Ores	The Sun, Moon, and Earth System
Rocks	Our Solar System
Fossils	Stars, Galaxies, and the Universe
Weathering, Erosion and Soils	Space Exploration
Oceans and Seas	

Social Studies Curriculum: *American Republic* BJU Publications & Other Resources

Starting with the discovery of the New World, the student text traces the path of American history up to the present day. In addition to a historical account, *American Republic* demonstrates the distinctiveness of American values and government, and emphasizes the importance of understanding and appreciating United States history.

Unit I: Settling a Wilderness (New World – American Colonies)

Unit II: Establishing a Nation (Independence – Constitution)

Unit III: Spanning a Continent (Growth of the Nation – Westward Expansion)

Unit IV: Facing a Crisis (States at War – Reconstruction)

All core skills are supported through extra-curricular activities such as PE, Science Olympiad, Foreign language (online) and Yearbook. The appreciation of literature is supported through visits to the ECA library and the public library book mobile.