

Fourth Grade

Bible Curriculum: Summit *Building on the Rock*

Students in grades 1-4 use the Building on the Rock curriculum from Summit Ministries. Fourth Grade focuses on the concept of servanthood and character traits. Key Biblical truths include: we were created as social beings to serve others in love, God ordained the family and nation in which we are to live and serve others, sin creates disharmony among families and nations, and through Christ we can be restored in relationship with others as members of God's new family and nation.

Language Arts Curriculum:

Reading *Ruby* Los Mosdos 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.

Spelling *Purposeful Design* Publishing

The following is a list of the skills, strategies, and outcomes that are central to the instructional program found in Purposeful Design Spelling:

- Phonetic instruction and decoding and encoding skills promote spellers and better readers.
- Reading and writing skills are strengthened.
- Emphasis on high-frequency word lists builds confidence in emerging spellers.
- Content words can be added to weekly lessons.

This series approaches spelling as a critical literacy skill that strengthens reading and writing ability. Spelling strategies such as word sorting by phonetic pattern, developing vocabulary through word study, and using the writing process to compose original stories pervade the books.

English *BJU* Publishing

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

Math Curriculum: *Purposeful Design*

The scope and sequence for math in 3-6 provides an opportunity to examine the mathematical content and development under fifteen major topics:

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| • Addition | Number Theory | Money |
| • Subtraction | Place Value | Geometry |
| • Multiplication | Fractions & Decimals | Algebra |
| • Division | Measurement | Probability & Stats |
| • Patterns | Time | Technology |

Science Curriculum: *Purposeful Design* Publications, Other Resources, and STEAM lab

The scope and sequence for science provides coverage in three major areas:

Earth Science (lithosphere, hydrosphere, astronomy)
Life Science (animals, plants, ecosystems & habitats, classification, cells)
Physical Science (energy, motion, work, matter, force)
Human Body (body systems)

Social Studies: *Studies Weekly* & Other Resources

The scope and sequence for social studies examines information which allows students to delve into specific people, places, and things; examine the role history plays in our country:

Fourth Grade Social Studies encompasses NC studies: regions, rivers, resources, prehistoric peoples, native peoples, government, colonial life, transportation, communication, industry, resources, religious groups, art, music, crafts, and cultural traditions

All core skills are supported through art, physical education, music, Spanish, and technology. The appreciation of literature is supported through visits to the ECA library and the public library book mobile.