

Kindergarten Course Goals

- Bible:** In this course, students will learn to know the Bible through a thematic, chronological study of the Old and New Testaments. Teachers will guide students to trust God and to apply His principles in everyday life.
- Social Studies:** Students will develop an awareness of the many types of occupations that make up a community. Students will learn about America's history and people of other cultures. He will see how God directs in people's lives to accomplish His will.
- Language Arts:** The students will begin the year learning the letter names and sounds for the vowels and consonants. They will then progress to reading blends and words. The students will apply comprehension and phonics skills as they read stories.
- Mathematics:** Students will be able to identify 6 basic shapes and will be able to count and recognize numbers 1-100. Students will learn the concepts of patterning, telling time, and money. Students will also learn addition concepts up through the sum of 10, and will be introduced to beginning subtraction concepts.
- Science:** Students will learn through observation and performing experiments the wonder of God's design in this world He has created. They will understand God's plan for the universe and their own lives. They will also begin to learn basic science concepts in physical science, life science and earth/space science.
- 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 Word*, *Microsoft Power Point*, *Microsoft Excel*, *Paint*, *Computer Awareness*, *Internet Safety and Searches*, *Keyboarding*, and *Kid Pix*. 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 as well.
- Music:** Students will learn to praise God through music and appreciate and have fun with music. Students will also memorize Bible verses through songs, learn simple math concepts, develop coordination through music and movement, and learn biblical principles through and Bible stories through song. Students will also be given the opportunity to participate in school wide programs.
- 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. In grades K-2, children learn fundamental movement skills and begin to understand how the muscles, bones, heart and lungs function in relation to physical activity. Students are engaged in activities that develop basic levels of strength, endurance, and flexibility. In addition, students learn to work safely in group and individual movement settings.

Kindergarten Curriculum

Language Arts(A Beka):

Phonics and Reading

Recognition of name, sound, and picture of long and short vowels and consonants
Sounding of blends, one- and two-vowel words, and words with special sounds
Beginning phonics rules and special sounds
Reading of sentences and stories from twelve books containing one- and two-vowel words and special sounds

Writing

Letters, blends, words, and sentences
Name

Language

Recognition of sentences by capital letters and periods

Poetry

Three poems committed to memory

Science (A Beka):

Plants

God's Plan for Seeds

Animals

God's Plan for Animals

God's Plan for the Seashore

Health and Human Biology

God's Plan for Me

Earth and Space

God's Plan for Weather

God's Plan for Seasons

Math (A Beka) :

Number recognition, counting, and writing 1–100
Number concepts 1–100
Numbers before and after 1–100
Numbers largest and smallest 1–100
Counting and writing by tens to 100
Counting and writing by fives to 100
Counting and writing by twos to 100
Number sequences by ones
Using number words 1–10 and first–tenth
Value of coins and dollar bill
Telling time
Using the calendar
Days of the week
Addition facts through 10
One-step story problems in addition
Beginning subtraction

Social Studies (A Beka):

Community Helpers
Children of the World
America: Our Great Country (map studies, famous Americans and places)

Bible (BJUP):

Creation; the lives of Noah, Abraham, and Joseph;
Moses through Jonah; and the life of Christ;
Special units on prayer, missions, and Thanksgiving
Forty-eight verses committed to memory