

4th Grade Course Goals

- Bible:** This Bible series focuses on the foundational teachings about the nature and character of God, the qualities of His people, and His church. Students are given an overview of the Bible, with an emphasis on God's attributes, biblical characters, the early church, and what it means to know Jesus Christ and live for Him.
- Social Studies:** Fourth Grade Social Studies focuses on nineteenth century America and the remarkable growth and impact of immigration, evangelism, missionary endeavors, inventions, and much more. Students will study civics, government, and evaluate historical events in U.S. history from the first Americans through World War II, all from a Christian worldview. Students will learn all about Texas history during our eight week Texas History Unit.
- Language Arts:** Language Arts in the fourth grade will provide students with a way to express themselves clearly and creatively while helping them to think logically. The student will be able to recognize and write the four types of sentences and the steps of the writing process. They will apply this information to write letters, thank you notes, and reports. They will also be able to recognize the eight parts of speech, and be able to diagram subjects, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs.
- Mathematics:** Fourth grade Arithmetic will provide students the opportunity to develop and reinforce basic skills using spiral learning. The course is structured to promote mastery of basic facts and concepts needed throughout life. In addition, concepts will be addressed that encourage students to glorify God as they learn about His creation.
- Science:** In the 4th grade, students will see the plan of God as it is revealed in His orderly creation. It will be a hands-on instructional program. Students will learn to acquire new information, do research, work collaboratively with other students, think critically, use scientific tools, do measurements, solve problems and evaluate their results. Topics covered will be Life Science, Physical Science, Earth and Space Science and the Human Body.
- 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*, computer awareness, computer programming, internet safety and searches, keyboarding, multi-media presentation and how to run age-appropriate software. Students are introduced to Google Classroom to include Google docs and slides. In order to create the most effective learning environment for the students, lessons and online games are integrated with classroom units to enhance learning in the core subject areas.
- Music:** Students will learn to praise God through music. Students will memorize Bible Verses, develop coordination through music and movement, and learn Bible principles. Students will learn age appropriate music theory and be given opportunities to play classroom instruments. Students will complete graded music worksheets. Students will put their theory knowledge to use by learning to play handbells. Students are required 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. The student exhibits a physically-active lifestyle and understands the relationship between physical activity and health throughout the lifespan. In Grades 3-5, students continue to develop strength, endurance, and flexibility. Students can demonstrate mature form in fundamental locomotor and manipulative skills and can often maintain that form while participating in dynamic game situations. Identifying personal fitness goals for themselves and beginning to understand how exercise affects different parts of the body is an important part of the instructional process. Fourth grade students learn to identify the components of health-related fitness. Students combine locomotor and manipulative skills in dynamic situations with



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body control. Students begin to identify sources of health fitness information and continue to learn about appropriate clothing and safety precautions in exercise settings.

Spanish:

Students will learn the Spanish language via repetition. Each week, lessons will include Greeting and Roll Call, Circle Time, Story Time, Art Time, and Good-bye. Circle Time consists of singing songs with motions, to learn conversational Spanish. Story Time will allow students to connect to authentic Spanish.

4th Grade Curriculum

Language Arts(BJUP, ACSI):

Reading and Literature

Oral reading
Reading comprehension
Speed reading
Vocabulary building

Spelling and Poetry

Weekly word lists based on phonics and spelling rules, challenging words, and vocabulary
Reinforcement activities

Language

Writing Process

Sentence structure, Kinds of sentences,
Punctuation, Capitalization facts,
Abbreviations, Possessive words,
Letters—business, friendly, post cards,
thank-you notes

Gathering information

Writing with details

Writing an encyclopedia report

Writing book reports

Creative writing

Dictionary skills

Grammar

Recognizing and using all eight parts of speech
Diagramming verbs, nouns, pronouns, adjectives, adverbs
Correctly using troublesome words

Social Studies (BJUP):

Geography

- Map skills
- Natural resources; climates
- Regions

American History

- War of 1812
- Revolutionary War
- Immigration
- The Wild West
- The fifty states (states, capitals, history, landmarks)
- Inventions
- American Industrial Revolution
- Communication: pony express, newspapers, telegraph
- Spanish-American War
- World War I
- World War II

Culture

- Adjustment of immigrants in America
- Communication and transportation

Science (BJUP):

God's Creation
Forces and Energy
The Moon and Oceans
The Earth for Our Use
The Body at Work

Math (BJUP):

Recognizing and Writing Numerals
Place Value
Skip Counting
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
Similarity and Congruence
Solid Figures
Circles
Estimation and Rounding
Measurement: length, capacity, weight, mass, temperature, time, money
Problem Solving
Line Graphs, Pictographs, Circle Graphs, Bar Graphs
Measures of Central Tendency

Bible (ACSI):

The Bible is Truth
The Bible is Inspired
Bible Study Tools
God is Omnipresent, Omniscient, Omnipotent
The Trinity
Created in God's Image
Glorifying God
The Sin Nature

Spanish (Sonrisas Spanish):

Conversational Spanish
Grammar
Communication Strategies
Spanish literature

BJUP – Bob Jones University Press

ACSI – Association of Christian Schools International