

TRINITY ACADEMY THIRD GRADE PROGRAM

All classes at Trinity Academy provide a hands-on, multi-sensory approach. Additionally, scripture and a biblical worldview are emphasized and drawn upon for each and every subject.

CORE SUBJECTS

daily instruction

BIBLE:

Resource: BJU Bible Truths

- Integrate doctrine through a chronological and thematic study of the Bible
- Study Cain, Abel, Seth, Job, Lot's wife, Elijah, Jesus, the apostles, Peter, Philip and Paul
- Study the following topics: Sin, salvation, purity, the life of Christ, willingness, friendships and obedience
- Practice spiritual disciplines: Prayer, study, worship and scripture memory
- Attend weekly chapel

READING/LANGUAGE ARTS:

Resource: BJU English Language Arts and Institute for Excellence in Writing (IEW)

- Learn to read with accuracy, fluency and comprehension
- Transition from learning to read to reading to learn
- Develop a love for reading
- Read a variety of genres: Realistic and historical fiction, fantasy, fable, folktale, tall tale, article, Bible account, biography, poetry, play, nonfiction and legend
- Write paragraphs with a topic sentence and supporting details
- Attempt paragraph divisions
- Learn to choose words for purpose and audience

SPELLING:

Resource: BJU Spelling

- Learn word patterns and irregular spellings
- Learn generalizations in phonics, consonant patterns, and word structure
- Learn contractions and suffixes
- Use word-building and proofreading skills
- Develop an understanding for words' meanings

HANDWRITING:

Resource: A Reason for Handwriting: Cursive D

- Practice proper manuscript and cursive handwriting form
- Demonstrate proper formation of cursive handwriting in daily written work

MATH:

Resource: Saxon Math

- Learn that math mirrors God's stability
- Use appropriate units and tools to estimate, measure and compare
- Study basic geometry and fractions
- Gain automaticity with multiplication and division facts

HISTORY/SOCIAL STUDIES:

Resource: BJU Press Heritage Studies

- Study *map skills*: Cardinal and intermediate directions, grids, globe, latitude, longitude, hemispheres, landforms, prime meridian, equator and population map
- Study *American history*: Trail of Tears, Revolutionary War, French and Indian War, War with Great Britain, and the Civil War
- Study *Government*: Constitutional Convention, Bill of Rights, Articles of Confederation, Preamble, political parties and Electoral College

SCIENCE:

Resource: BJU Science

- Use process skills and the scientific method
- Study *Earth Science*: Rocks, minerals, weather and the solar system
- Study *Life Science*: Cold-blooded animals, warm-blooded animals, plants, ecosystems, cells and the human body (ears and skin)
- Study *Physical Science*: Forces, motion, friction, gravity, weight, magnetism, work, energy, light and shadows
- Study *matter*: Properties of matter



ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

- Field trips
- Fall program
- Spring program
- Service opportunities

SPECIALS

TECHNOLOGY:

- Access technology as a tool
- Be trained in the use of that technology
- Introduce computer ethics from a Biblical perspective

MUSIC: *(3x per week for 30 min.)*

- Read, sing and play rhythms using instruments
- Sing and play a variety of musical genres, including hymns and worship music
- Read music on the treble and bass clefs
- Memorize selected songs for performance

LIBRARY: *(2x per week for 30 min.)*

- Learn cause and effect in literature
- Evaluate folktales by the lessons they teach society, and show an understanding by writing an original folktale
- Find books in a library using the Dewey Decimal System
- Understand the genre of poetry
- Identify plot: Problem or goal, rising action, climax and falling action
- Participate in Accelerated Reading (AR)

SPANISH: *(2x per week for 30 min.)*

Resource: Pasaporte al Español Kit B

- Be introduced to Spanish vocabulary, phrases and conversations

ART: *(1x per week for 45 min.)*

- Create an original artwork using line, shape and color
- Create a sunset silhouette that uses middle ground, overlapping, and change of size to create the illusion of space
- Create an original clay artwork that communicates and demonstrates sculpture in the round
- Compare and contrast two artworks on subject matter, media, use of line, color, shape, textures, theme and place

PHYSICAL EDUCATION: *(3x per week for 30 min.)*

- Learn space awareness and the basics of catching through games
- Learn the basics of Christ-like teamwork
- Play tag, volleyball, basketball, bean bags, soccer, goodminton, bowling and more