

north cobb christian school

KINDERGARTEN

K5

CURRICULUM

BIBLE

The NCCS Kindergarten Bible course lays the foundations of a biblical worldview and encourages children to pursue a voluntary commitment to Jesus Christ. It begins in the Old Testament with creation and walks through the lives Noah, Joseph, Moses, Joshua, David and Ruth. New Testament study focuses on Zacchaeus, Lazarus, and the disciples, along with an in-depth study of Jesus' birth, death, burial and resurrection. In addition, students learn about Jesus' parables and miracles. Through Scripture memorization and the study of biblical characters and events, students apply Christian principles to personal experiences.

PHONICS + READING

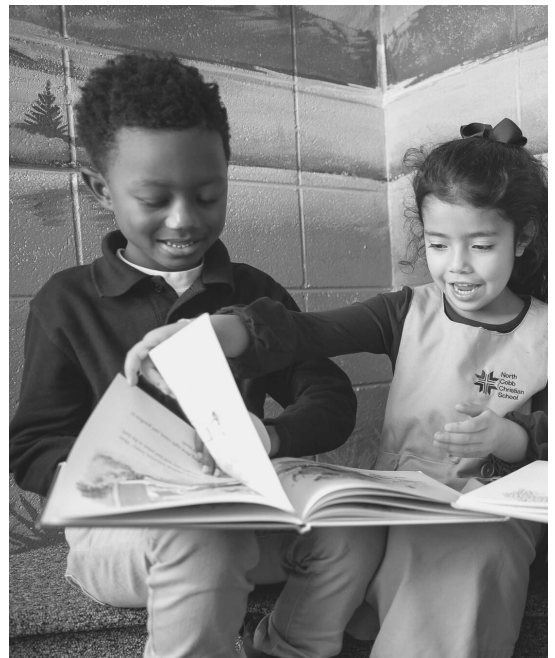
The NCCS Kindergarten Phonics and Reading curriculum equips and empowers students to read and understand God's Word. Establishing a firm foundation of strong phonemic awareness is foundational to reading mastery. Through phonics instruction, students learn to identify short vowel and consonant sounds, to form blends and digraphs, and to read consonant-vowel-consonant words. To help build reading fluency, sight words are also taught. Phonics and reading skills are applied during small group instruction. In addition, students learn targeted reading and comprehension skills through Foundations and Frameworks.

MATH

Mathematics in kindergarten prepares students for the practical application of concepts as they develop a strong understanding of number sense. An emphasis on developing mathematical thinking equips students with critical problem-solving skills. Students use manipulatives and interactive strategies to explore mathematical theories. Small groups allow for student differentiation and guided instruction and practice.

WRITING

Kindergarten students at NCCS develop an understanding of the necessary components of writing a complete sentence, including capitalization, punctuation, and spacing, to ensure that the meaning of sentences is accurately conveyed. Writing at least two complete sentences is an end goal of the program.





SCIENCE

Kindergarten Science facilitates student awareness of God's plan and purpose for His creation, including the child's role of caring for His world. Utilizing observations, investigations, and predictions, students lay a foundation for scientific learning. Themes include plants & seeds, animals & their homes, transitional habitats, our five senses, light & shadows, and an exploration of gravity, weight, density and measurement.

SOCIAL STUDIES

In kindergarten, students build foundations in history, geography, government and economics from a biblical worldview. By examining American history, U.S. symbols, and famous Americans, students explore how our country was established and how it was shaped by individuals. Students also study the geography of their local communities and the occupations and impact of community helpers. Economic principles are emphasized, including saving, spending and giving.

K5 SPECIALS

ART | WEEKLY

K5 students develop creative, critical, perceptual awareness and problem-solving skills by creating artworks to express individual ideas and experiences, as well as common subjects and themes. Curriculum also underscores the elements and principles of art in God's creation. Primary and secondary colors, as well as geometric shapes and forms, are introduced, along with texture, pattern, and types of lines. Students apply various media, techniques and processes of two- and three-dimensional works of art, including drawing, painting, fiber arts, printmaking, ceramics and sculpture, utilizing an artist's tools in a safe and appropriate manner.

MUSIC | WEEKLY

Students continue to build a repertoire of songs, games and rhymes while learning the musical concepts of steady beat, rhythm, and distinguishing high / low, fast / slow, loud / soft. Students use instruments to mimic sounds and are able to improvise movement, rhythm, and text to known songs. Students also work on audibly distinguishing instruments and voices. Singing and performance skills are developed through Grandparents Day, The Lower School Christmas Program, and a Spring Preschool & Junior Kindergarten Program.

P.E. | WEEKLY

Physical Education in K5 emphasizes continued motor and movement skill development, and the development of an appreciation for participation in physical activity while fostering habits of lifetime wellness and inclusive social skills. Through individual, dual and group participation in physical activities, students increase understanding of the interrelationship of physical, spiritual, emotional and social well-being. Kindergarteners also work to set and achieve goals in personal, cooperative and competitive activities. Students are guided to be leaders in encouraging positive attitudes and promoting peaceful conflict resolution.

SPANISH | WEEKLY

Students are exposed to the Spanish language through playing meaningful games, answering short questions and singing songs. Studies include building on vocabulary such as greetings, basic classroom objects, numerals, colors, shapes, family, food, clothing and animals. Students experience oral repetition and physical enactments while learning Spanish language and culture.

TECHNOLOGY + STEAM | WEEKLY

In K5 Technology, students learn the basics of the computer in the areas of digital citizenship, foundational programming, keyboarding, and vocabulary. Students engage in activities through computer exercises that strengthen their cognitive reasoning skills while exploring graphic arts, word processing, spreadsheets and slideshows in Google Apps for Education. We celebrate each student's unique personality and gifts through computer programming that stretches them artistically, academically and cognitively.

