

## 5th Grade Profile

### **Academic Milestones:**

- Mastery of states and capitals
- Mastery of reading comprehension independently
- Develop enhanced writing techniques
- Third-year of Latin
- Classic poem memorization

### **Teacher Profiles:**

#### **Rochelle Dukes**

- 4th Grade English/Language Arts and Social Studies
- 5th Grade English/Language Arts, Social Studies, Bible, and Latin
- Joined SSCS in the fall of 2025
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#### **Austin Ross**

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- First year teaching
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# 5th Grade Curriculum

## **Bible**

Students learn to understand the various writings in the Bible. Lessons focus on the Old Testament and Gospel writings. Students memorize scripture verses.

## **Saxon Math**

Students master the addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of whole numbers, fractions and decimals. Reasoning and problem-solving skills are practiced and developed throughout the lessons. The students also are exposed to a variety of age appropriate lessons from geometry, measurement and statistics.

## **Literature**

Students read and discuss literature books such as *Where the Red Fern Grows* and *The Secret Garden*. See attached literature list for more titles.

## **Writing & Grammar**

The curriculum helps to develop strong, independent writers with writing and grammar resources, fluency building exercises, usage and mechanics skills practice, plus a handy reference section. With extra practice for proofreading and revising, students progress from writing sentences to paragraphs to essays. The Abeka curriculum is used.

## **History / Geography**

Students study early American History beginning with the explorers up to present. Students learn about the important people, dates and events of the time. Geography integrated with history and includes the teaching of various landforms in America and throughout the world, as well as states and capitals.

## **Art**

Students discover the elements of art as they work on two dimensional and three-dimensional projects.

## **Science**

The Abeka science curriculum focuses on man's use of God's creation and design. Students study minerals and rocks, fossils, matter and heat, sound and light, weather, biomes, ecosystems and the respiratory and circulatory systems. Students develop science process skills as they participate in hands-on activities and projects.

## **Latin**

During the third year of Latin, students increase vocabulary to approximately 500 Latin words, identify and generate the more common of nominal declensions and verbal conjugations by use of paradigms memorization and manipulation. Students also acquire a fundamental understanding of basic Latin grammar, translate relatively facile sentences and passages from Latin into English and vice versa.

## **Physical Education**

The physical education program helps students develop their athletic skills, learn game skills, and grow in their understanding of honoring God in sports competitions.

## 5th Grade Literature List

The following is the list of adopted titles used in the fifth-grade reading program. (Although certain titles are assigned to specific grades, when necessary, teachers may use titles from the list above or below their grades.)

Students will read from the following list during the year.

### **TITLE**

Black Stallion  
Landing of the Pilgrims, The  
Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil  
Secret Garden, The  
Shades of Gray  
What was the Gold Rush?  
Where the Red Fern Grows  
Who was Christopher Columbus?  
The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe  
Biography of Teacher's Choice

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