

Curriculum Overview 2015-2016

FIFTH GRADE

GENERAL STUDIES

LANGUAGE ARTS

- Grammar
 - The sentence
 - Nouns
 - Verbs
 - Adverbs
 - Adjectives
 - Pronouns
- Reading
 - Analyzing Plot
 - Analyzing Text Structure
 - Analyzing Character
 - Analyzing Theme
 - Identifying and Analyzing Point of View
 - Poetry
 - Comparison and Contrast
 - Cause and Effect
 - Main Idea
- Writing
 - Individualized research papers using IIM (Independent Investigation Method for Research Mastery) and authentic research process taking the student through note taking, note organizing, and writing
- Handwriting
 - Increase Legibility Through Regular Self-Evaluation
 - Develop Fluency and Automaticity

MATH

- Operations
- Thinking Skills
- Problem Solving
- Estimation
- Data
- Statistics
- Geometry
- Probability
- Pre-Algebra Skills

SOCIAL STUDIES

- Map Skills
- United States Government
- United States Regions; How History, Geography, Economics, and Climate are Related
- Economics and Banking: Understanding Money
- United States Presidents

SCIENCE

- Matter, Force, and Energy
- The Solar System
- Science Spin: Each issue is a complete science lesson that covers an important science curriculum standard and connects to rigorous state standards

TEXTS

- Houghton Mifflin: English, Level 5

- Zanger Bloser, Spelling Connections, Level 6
- Houghton Mifflin, Level 5
- Houghton Mifflin, Math Steps; Level 5 -
- *Time for Kids*; Level 5/6 – A weekly news magazine that develops reading comprehension and thinking skills using worldwide current events
- Zaner Bloser, Handwriting
- Making Connections: Text to Talk; Text to Self; Text to World
- Novels
 - *In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson*
 - *Bud, Not Buddy*
 - Number the Stars
- Individualized Interest in Literature Circles
- Additional Resources
 - Khan Academy: An online, individualized math program