



## Fourth Grade Curriculum Overview

*CCA curriculum is consistent with Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts and Math, WA State Standards in History/Social Studies and Next Generation Science Standards.*

### **Bible Study**

God's Word is the most important part of our curriculum as we read, study, memorize, and apply it to our daily lives with *One in Christ* by Concordia Publishing House. Memory work and prayer help us to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ, our Savior, as we learn how to serve Him and others each and every day.

### **Reading**

Reading in fourth grade emphasizes comprehension, vocabulary, and a greater amount of sight words. McGraw-Hill materials are used, including the basal reader, which introduces students to a wide variety of literature. The main areas of focus in fourth grade include critical thinking and analysis, comprehension, and expansion of vocabulary. Additionally, classic books like *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* are used to enrich the reading program, with projects designed to encourage collaborative learning and discussion throughout the year.

### **Language Arts**

Language skills are developed concurrently with writing skills within Lucy Calkins' *Writing Pathways*. Sentence mechanics, grammar, and spelling are additionally reinforced with *Daily Oral Language (DOL)*.

### **Math**

CCA uses Curriculum Associates Ready Math series for grades 1 through 4. Students are given opportunities to demonstrate and apply their knowledge and understanding by focusing on problem solving and reasoning. The concepts include place value to hundred-millions, addition and subtraction with regrouping to the ten thousands place, multiplication of 2, 3, and 4-digit numbers, dividing 3 and 4-digit dividends by 1-digit divisors, measurement, fractions and mixed numbers with like denominators, decimals to the thousandths place, writing and solving algebraic equations and expressions, rounding and estimation, and geometry. Assessment and customized math practice are accomplished through the adaptive i-Ready program which complements the Ready Math curriculum.

### **Units of Study in Social Studies**

- Map Skills
- WA State History
- WA State Geography

### **Science**

- Environmental Science
- Classify Living Things
- Matter, Energy and Change
- Electricity and Magnets

### **Additional Learning Opportunities**

- Computers and iPads in the classroom
- i-Ready Diagnostic and personalized computer lessons in Math and Reading
- Library/Accelerated Reader Program
- Science Week/Reading Week

### **Learning Opportunities (continued)**

- Physical Education/Art Experiences
- Music class with recorders/School Musical/Christmas Program
- Weekly Chapel/Service Projects
- Field Trips to complement units of study