

Religion

- Identify specific ways God revealed Himself through all ages in the Old Testament as the one true God
- Understand the definition of Divine Providence
- Understand and identify prefiguring in the Old Testament
- Explain how God created the universe
- Describe how creation is the manifestation of God's love
- Differentiate between evolution and creation
- Construct a hierarchy of creation
- Explain how Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promise through Biblical prophecies
- List ways the Holy Spirit was gradually revealed through the Old Testament
- Describe the role of the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament
- Describe the covenant God made with his people in the Old Testament
- Recognize the importance of the Patriarchs of the Old Testament
- Identify the seasons of the liturgical year
- Understand the parts of the Mass, vestments and vessels
- State that in Hebrew Scripture, grace is 'finding favor with God'
- Define 'free will'
- Trace the roots of evil through the Torah
- Understand 'original sin'
- State that a redeemer was promised who would conquer sin and death -- Jesus
- Understand the definition of virtue
- Understand the definition of conscience
- Give examples of ways to form a good conscience Understand the definition of intercession
- Recognize that we can pray to the Saints in the Old Testament who will intercede for us
- Understand the definition of chastity
- Understand the definition of modesty
- Describe marriage as designed by God to be permanent, faithful and life giving

Science

- Understand that new technologies may lead to new discoveries
- Understand and use the scientific method
- Understand parts of an experiment
- Use appropriate experimental design required to solve problems
- Know selected scientists and their accomplishments
- Know that scientific ethics demand that scientists must not knowingly subject humans and animals to harm
- Understand how atmospheric pressure affects the water cycle
- Extend and refine ways people reuse, recycle, and reduce resource
- Use to improve the quality of life
- List the layers of the atmosphere
- Understand the concept of air pressure and the factors that affect it

- Know the effects of the tilt of the earth on polar climates
- Know the relative position of the moon, earth, and sun during each phase of the moon
- Know that the planets differ in size, characteristics, and composition, and that they orbit the sun
- Know that gravity is the one force that keeps planets arranged in orbits around the sun, the moon, and the earth
- Understand the position of the sun, earth, and moon to determine the phases of the moon
- Compare solar and lunar eclipses describing the positions of the earth, moon, and sun during each
- Know the orbit of the earth is slightly elliptical and that the earth is closest to the sun in the Northern Hemisphere in winter
- Know that the angle that the sun's rays strike the earth determines the amount of energy received and the season of the year
- Understand how heliocentric and geocentric models of the solar system differ
- Know that Kepler, Galileo, Copernicus, Ptolemy and their contributions to space discovery

Language Arts

- Read aloud narrative and expository text fluently with appropriate pacing, intonation and expression
- Identify and interpret figurative language, words with multiple meanings, similes and metaphors
- Recognize the origins and meanings of frequently used foreign words in English and use in writing and speaking
- Use context and word structure clues to interpret words and ideas in a text
- Recognize and explain 'shades of meaning' in related words
- Explain effective word choice, use of dialect and sensory or figurative language in poetry
- Distinguish between connotation and denotation
- Analyze word relationships
- Introduce word relationships
- Identify the structural features of various media
- Knowledge and use of text that uses the compare-and contrast organizational structure
- Use pre-reading strategies to aid in comprehension
- Connect and clarify main ideas by identifying their relationships to other sources and related topics
- Understand text by using graphic organizers and creating outlines, notes, summaries and reports.
- Predict ideas or events that may take place in the text and provide a rationale for ongoing predictions as the story develops
- Make inferences and generalizations about what is read
- Use a variety of prewriting strategies for different writing purposes
- Compose documents with appropriate formatting
- Follow multi-step instructions (written and verbal)

- Write notes, outlines, comments and observations that reflect comprehension content from a variety of contexts of sixth grade level or higher
- Recognize and use grade-appropriate grammar as a preparation tool for spelling and writing
- Use conventions of punctuation including commas, colons, semicolons, quotation marks and apostrophes
- Use correct capitalization
- Identify and use patterns and rules found in the English language for grammar usage and mechanics
- Introduce and recognize the appropriate time for formal and informal English based on audience and purpose
- Revise draft to a 'publishable' draft using an assessment rubric and peer's notes as a guide
- Summarize main points and supporting details orally and in writing

Social Studies

- Create primary and secondary sources based on historical or current events
- Explain what can be learned from prehistoric people including the contributions they made to civilization
- Identify on a map where the earliest human fossil has been discovered
- Analyze the significant changes that took place in the way people of the Stone Age lived
- Illustrate major physical features of Egypt
- Analyze the role of geography in the development of Ancient Egypt
- Explain how the natural wealth of the first empires positioned them as leaders in an emerging society
- Evaluate the important contributions of Egyptian society to civilization
- Illustrate the order of ancient Egyptian society and the contributions each level of society gave to Ancient Egypt
- Explain the importance of Egyptian religious beliefs and how these beliefs affected daily life and also societal roles in Ancient Egypt
- Analyze the major achievements of the Mesopotamian evaluates the significance of Hammurabi's Code of Law and its impact on ancient society
- Evaluate the influence of the cultural contributions of Mesopotamian civilizations summarizes the contributions of the Hebrews to both ancient and modern civilizations
- Analyze the role of the family in ancient Chinese society
- Evaluate the technological developments of the Chinese dynasties
- Analyze the impact of the Silk Road on trade between civilizations and Ancient China
- Compare the teachings of Confucius and Buddha
- Explain the significant developments during the reign of Kublai Khan
- Explain the significance of Greek religion in society