

1ST Grade

Curriculum Overview



English Language Arts

Zaner-Bloser Superkids

Superkids builds strong reading, writing, phonics, and language skills through engaging, systematic, and thematic instruction that helps students become confident, successful readers.

Thematic Topics

- Friends Old and New
- Animals and Us
- Tools and Technology
- Arts and Entertainment
- Mind and Body

Key Literacy Skills

- Explicit Phonics Instruction
- Memory Words
- Comprehension Skills (story elements, informational text features,

problem and solution, cause and effect, etc.)

- Oral Reading Fluency
- Vocabulary (synonyms and antonyms, context clues, figurative language, multi-meaning words etc.)
- Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics

Writing

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Superkids writing instruction develops students' ability to organize ideas, write complete sentences, apply grammar and spelling skills, and communicate clearly through purposeful writing practice.

- Personal Narratives
- Informative Writing
- Opinion Writing
- Fiction Stories
- Friendly Letter
- How-To Book
- Book Review

Math

Sadlier Math

Sadlier Math helps students build problem-solving, reasoning, and fluency through explicit, step-by-step instruction and real-world applications.

- Addition Facts and Strategies Within 10
- Subtraction Facts and Strategies Within 10
- Addition and Subtraction Relationships
- Measurement
- Place Value to 120
- Addition and Subtraction Facts Within 20
- Data and Graphical Displays
- Addition and Subtraction of Two-Digit Numbers
- Equal Shares
- Time and Money

Science

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Dimensions

HMH Science Dimensions engages students in hands-on, inquiry-based learning that builds scientific thinking and deepens understanding through real-world investigations.

- Light and Sound
- Objects and Patterns in the Sky
- Plant and Animal Structures
- Living Things and Their Young

Religion

Sophia Institute Spirit of Truth, Education in Virtue

Spirit of Truth teaches students the truths of our Catholic faith through Scripture, Tradition, the Catechism, and engaging lessons that encourage them to live out their faith. The Education in Virtue program, infused throughout the school day, helps students develop strong character by teaching them to live the virtues through everyday habits and choices.

- God is Our Creator
- Jesus is the Son of God
- We Pray to Jesus
- God's Plan of Salvation
- Jesus is Our Savior
- Mary is the Mother of God
- The Holy Spirit Makes Us Holy
- Virtues

Social Studies

Macmillan/MacGraw-Hill

Students meet diocesan standards through project-based learning experiences that build critical thinking, collaboration, and understanding of grade-level concepts. Supplemental resources, such as the We Live Together textbook support content knowledge development.

- Salvation History: Early World
- Community, Citizenship, and Government
- Geography: Maps and Globes
- History
- Economics: Goods and Services
- Culture and Customs