



# JACKSONVILLE CLASSICAL ACADEMY

## FIFTH GRADE CURRICULUM

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The fifth-grade experience at Jacksonville Classical Academy delves into the foundational subjects of mathematics, science, language arts, classical literature and history. Our curriculum emphasizes critical thinking and civic virtue. Students develop a deeper understanding of the world around them and cultivate the skills they need for future academic success. This curriculum map is an overview of the concepts and curriculum taught during the fifth grade year

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### LITERATURE

- The Secret Garden by Francis Hodgson Burnett
- Sherlock Holmes by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
- The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame
- Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain
- Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass
- Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl
- Holes by Louis Sachar

### LITERACY

Writing: Summarizing, Narrative, Expository, Informational, Opinion Essays  
Reading Standards: Making Inferences, Literary Elements, Explaining Theme, Compare and Contrast Sources, Analyzing Poetry, Text Structure, Figurative Language, Determining Word Meanings, Morphology

### HISTORY

Renaissance, Reformation, Age of Exploration: Explorers, Early Russia and Feudal Japan, Geography of the United States, Westward Expansion, Propaganda in Media, Civil War

### POETRY

The Road Not Taken- by: Robert Frost,  
Jabberwocky by: Lewis Carroll, O Captain! My Captain! by: Walt Whitman, A Poison Tree by: William Blake, I Hear America Singing by: Walt Whitman

### MUSIC

Students will discover the beauty of music through interactive learning about voice, melody, duration, notation, articulation, tempo, the Impressionist period, chords, harmony, instruments, ukulele, keyboard, and other activities and projects.

### SCIENCE

The Engineering Process, The Solar System and the Universe, Weather, Climate, and the Water Cycle, The Nature of Matter, Forms of Energy, Working with Electricity, Forces and Motion, The Structure of Living Things, Changes in Environments, Plant and Animal Adaptations

### MATH

Whole Numbers, Writing and Evaluating Expressions, Multiplication and Division, Addition and Subtraction of Fractions, Multiplication of Fraction, Division of Fractions, Measurement, Volume of Solid Figures, Decimals, The Four Operations of Decimals, Geometry, Data Analysis and Graphs, and Ratio

### LATIN

Students will learn about Latin, its culture and its influence on today's world by diving into diverse stories from the Roman Empire.

### ART

Students add cross-hatching and pointillism into drawings, learn about movement and form, and use 3D forms to create a sculpture.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Students will experience a variety of fitness & sports-related opportunities such as football, basketball, cross country running; as well as fitness tests and fun games that show your children that being active and healthy can be fun!

### TECHNOLOGY

With an emphasis on refining their foundation in technology and historical knowledge of technology, collaboration, and communication will gradually take center stage as students use technology to work on group/individual projects throughout the school year.