

**PARKWAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

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- ▶ First Grade introduces an array of subject matter, which includes Bible, Reading, Spelling, Language Arts, Handwriting, Math, Social Studies, and Science, as well as Physical Education, Vocal-Music, Art, Computer, and Library. Each subject is taught through the lens of a Biblical Worldview while meeting the framework of the Common Core Standards. Students learn through assignments, projects, activities and field trips.

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- ▶ In the two-year Bible curriculum, studies alternate year to year from Old Testament stories and events to New Testament stories and events. Scripture memorization, Bible related activities and weekly chapel services enhance our Biblical program.

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- ▶ In Reading, fluency and comprehension are supported by the Hampton Brown readers, trade books, and other on-line services. Small group reading sessions allow for individual pacing and monitoring.

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- ▶ In Spelling, students learn different spelling patterns through the Words Their Way curriculum and grade level sight words. A variety of on-line resources are used to enhance the spelling curriculum. Weekly tests are given to assess progress.

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- ▶ In Writing, a combination of the Shurley-English and Write Steps curricula are used to teach the writing process. Students learn about strategies to aid in the writing process. Some skills include graphic organizers, editing, and different writing genres. Creative writing is emphasized through journaling, book reports, research reports, short stories and poetry. The Shurley-English Curriculum introduces parts of speech, grammar, and sentence structure.

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- ▶ In Handwriting students' begin manuscript writing using the Zaner-Bloser curriculum.

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- ▶ The Saxon Math Curriculum introduces a variety of math skills which include, but are not limited to; ordering numbers, patterning, addition, subtraction, story problems, money, time, basic geometry, measuring and graphing.



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- ▶ The Social Studies curriculum uses Scott-Foresman. It introduces local government, basic economics, local geography, family timelines, and the shared values of communities. Multiple projects and activities are given to enhance the curriculum.

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- ▶ In Science the Scott-Foresman curriculum introduces students to basic Earth Science, weather, the needs of living things, and an introduction to the life cycle of animals. Chapter tests are given to assess progress. Projects and activities give students opportunities to apply their knowledge in fun and exciting ways.