



What Your Child Will Learn In Fourth Grade

Here is just a sample of the *Curriculum Specific to Fourth Grade* at Crestview Academy.

For the complete listing of the curriculum please call the school at 715-835-2275.

Literature:

Poetry:

- “Paul Revere’s Ride,” by Longfellow
- “Concord Hymn, by Ralph Waldo Emerson
- “Dreams” by Langston Hughes

Stories:

- Gulliver’s Travels
- Rip Van Winkle
- The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
- My Side of the Mountain
- Pollyanna
- Legends of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table
- Clarence by Shel Silverstein

Sayings:

- Through thick and thin
- When it rains it pours
- Haste Makes Waste
- Live and let live

Science:

- ❖ The Human Body – circulatory and respiratory systems
- ❖ Chemistry – atoms, electrical charges, properties of matter and solutions
- ❖ Electricity – electric current, experiments with simple circuits, electromagnets and safety issues
- ❖ The Earth – movement of crustal plates, volcanoes, earthquakes, hot springs and erosion
- ❖ Meteorology – the atmosphere, how the sun heats the atmosphere and forecasting the weather
- ❖ Science Biographies – Charles Drew, Elizabeth Blackwell, Michael Farraday and Benjamin Banneker

Geography/World Civilization:

- ❖ Spatial sense – prime meridian, International Date Line, relief maps, longitude and latitude
- ❖ Mountains – Andes, Rockies, Himalayas, Alps, Everest, McKinley, Kilimanjaro
- ❖ Africa – Cape of Good Hope, Madagascar, Nile, Niger, Zaire and contrasting climates
- ❖ Western Europe – rivers, Alps, Iberian Peninsula, France, Mediterranean, British Isles
- ❖ Europe in the Early Middle Ages – Attila the Hun, Dark Ages, history of the Christian church
- ❖ Europe in the Middle Ages – feudalism, chivalry, the Norman conquest, Henry II, Joan of Arc
- ❖ Spread of Islam and Holy Wars, The Koran, Mecca, the Holy Land, Muslims, the crusades
- ❖ Medieval China – Great Wall, Tang dynasty, Mongol invasions, Kublai Khan, Marco Polo
- ❖ Early and Medieval African Kingdoms, Trans-Sahara trade, Timbuktu, Spread of Islam to West Africa

American Civilization and Geography:

- ❖ The French and Indian War – British and French control of the colonies, Battle of Quebec
- ❖ The American Revolution – Thomas Paine’s *Common Sense*, Declaration of Independence, “No taxation without representation,” Patrick Henry, The Intolerable Acts, First Continental Congress, “The shot heard round the world,” Bunker Hill, John and Abigail Adams, Valley Forge, Molly Pitcher, Benedict Arnold, John Paul Jones, “I have not yet begun to fight”
- ❖ Making a Constitutional Government – Articles of Confederation, The Preamble, Bill of Rights
- ❖ Early Presidents and Politics, Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Jackson
- ❖ State governments, local governments, current governor and local and state representatives, 72 counties, Eau Claire County

Visual Arts:

- ❖ Art of the Middle Ages – tapestries, Gothic architecture, medieval Madonnas
- ❖ Islamic Art and Architecture – domes, minarets, Taj Mahal, Alhambra Palace, Spain
- ❖ Art of Africa and China – silk scrolls, calligraphy, ivory carvings, Great Temple of Ramses II

Selected Works:

- Copley *Paul Revere*
- Washington Crossing the Delaware

- *Stuart George Washington*
- *The Great Mosque at Jenne*

Music:

- ❖ Understand quarter note, eighth note, half note and rest
- ❖ Whole note and rest
- ❖ Sharps, flats
- ❖ Vocal ranges – soprano, alto, tenor, bass

Selected Works:

- *Haydn Symphony No. 100*
- *Strauss On The Beautiful Blue Danube*
- *Mozart The Marriage of Figaro*
- *Orff O Fortuna*

Physical Education:

- ❖ Sportsmanship
- ❖ Fitness
- ❖ Teams
- ❖ Nutrition
- ❖ Health
- ❖ Basic rules and skills of volleyball, dance, basketball, gymnastics, softball, track and field

Virtues:

- ❖ Faithfulness
- ❖ Self-discipline
- ❖ Charity
- ❖ Service
- ❖ Constancy
- ❖ Respect
- ❖ Responsibility
- ❖ Diligence
- ❖ Courage
- ❖ Cooperation
- ❖ Serve with joy

Stories:

- ❖ *Little Women*
- ❖ *Afternoon on a Hill*
- ❖ *Joan of Arc*
- ❖ *Molly Pitcher*

- ❖ Daniel's Special Diet
 - ❖ Angel of the Battlefield
 - ❖ The Fiery Furnace
 - ❖ The Long Hard Way Through the Wilderness
 - ❖ Helen Keller and Anne Sullivan
 - ❖ The Story of Cincinnatus
 - ❖ Ulysses and the Cyclops
 - ❖ Dolly Madison Saves the National Pride
- "Be not simply good; be good for something" Henry David Thoreau
 - "He that ruleth his spirit is better than he that taketh a city" Charlemagne
 - "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights"
Jefferson

Library Skills:

- ❖ Card catalog
- ❖ Encyclopedia
- ❖ Dewey Decimal System