

Regina Academy at St. John the Baptist Classical Curriculum Overview

Skills of Analysis, Reasoning, Recognizing and Forming an Intellectual Argument • Cause and Effect Relationships Among Facts

Dialectic / Analytic Stage
Grades 6-8

Grade Level	History	Literature	Religion	Math	English	Science and Nature Studies	Latin
Grade 6	Ancient Mesopotamia & Israel Ancient Egypt Ancient Greece Map Skills and Geography of Era Generating Timelines	Socratic Circle Recitation Dictation Poetry Elements of Literature Cause and Effect Summarizing to convey order of importance Compare and Contrast Researching Cultures Recognizing an Argument Classic texts and novels align with historical era	Catholic Doctrine: Baltimore Catechism Two Scripture (New Testament): Gospels of Mark and Luke Virtues in Practice Lives of the Saints	Powers, Exponents, Prime Factorization, GCF, Order of Operations Percentages Fractions and decimals skills maintenance Data Display & Interpretation Graphing: Coordinate Grid Geometric Figures & Measurement Integers: Four Operations	Principal Parts of Speech Spelling Writing Exercises Summaries Handwriting (cursive) Editing Basic Outlining Expository Writing: Responding in Paragraphs	Earth Science: Geology Plate tectonics Earthquakes & volcanoes Earth's structure Atmosphere Biosphere Weather /Climate Energy Scientific Method Nature Studies	Declensions – 1 st and 2 nd Conjugations – 1 st and 2 nd Adjectives Parallel analysis with English Translation Latin Prayers

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Grade 7	Beginnings of Rome The Roman Empire The Life of Jesus Fall of Rome	Socratic Circle Literary Elements: tone, mood, plot, theme, style Characterization Elements of Plot Point of View Imagery Figurative Language Poetry Analysis Vocabulary Studies Recitation & Dictation Classic texts and novels align with historical era	New Testament – The Story and Founding of the Church Acts of the Apostles Faith and Life Series: Our Life in the Church Confirmation Preparation Lives of the Saints Virtues in Practice Catholic Doctrine: Baltimore Catechism Two	Number Sense: Variables and Expressions, Properties, and Order of Operations, Decimals, Fractions, Integers: Four Operations Data Display & Interpretation Ratio, Proportion & Percent Geometry: Surface Area and Volume Probability Linear Expression Linear Equations Scientific Notation	Diagramming Sentences for Mastery of Grammar Develop Thesis Development of Essay – components Writing Process Creative Writing Expository Writing Analysis of Poetry Recitation and Dictation	Nature Studies Scientific Method Basic Chemistry Systems of the Body Cell Structure Plants and Animals Ecology Scientific Method Lab Experiments	Henle Latin: Five Declensions: Endings, Gender, Number, Case, Person Adjectives – three declensions Agreement of Adjectives Use of Prepositions Appositives Latin Prayers and Conversation Written Translations

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Grade 8	From the Fall of Rome Middle Ages Rise of Christendom Renaissance Reformation Counter Reformation Age of Discovery	Socratic Circle Literary Devices: Allusion, Symbolism, Types of Irony Figurative Language maintenance Literary Themes Vocabulary Studies Elements of Argument Recitation & Dictation Classic texts and novels align with historical era	Faith and Life Series: Our Life in the Church Hierarchy Magisterium Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy Law and Conscience Sacramental Life Reformation and Counter Reformation Lives of the Saints Virtues in Practice Girls: Women of Grace Boys: Screwtape Letters Catholic Doctrine: Baltimore Catechism Two	Number Sense: Variables & Expressions, Properties, Equations & Inequalities Equations: Four Operations Fractions & Decimals maintenance Exponents & Scientific Notation Ratio, Proportion & Percent Probability Linear Functions: Graphing & Systems Real Numbers Geometry: Area & Volume Data Analysis and Probability Binomials Polynomials Radicals Quadratic Equations Linear Equations	Socratic Circle <i>Copia</i> <i>Disputatio</i> Analytical and Persuasive Writing Recitation and Dictation Essays: Integration of Subjects Diagramming in Latin Maintenance of Grammar Skills	Nature Studies Chemistry: states of matter atomic structure & the periodic table chemical bonds reactions & energy Physics: motion & forces energy waves & sounds light electricity & magnetism Earth Science: Atmosphere Science Research Lab Experiments	Henle Latin: Maintenance of Skills in Units I and II First Conjugation – Present, Imperfect, and Future Indicatives Present Systems of third & fourth declensions Perfect System (all active voice) Present System – Passive Voice (all conjugations) Present Subjunctive – Present & Imperfect Relative Clauses Personal Pronouns Sentence Diagrams Latin Prayers and Conversation Oral and Written Translations

Literature selections are classic works of children's literature including (but not limited to): The Pharaohs of Ancient Egypt, Mara, Daughter of the Nile, The Golden Goblet, Children's Homer, The Aeneid for Boys and Girls, Black Ships Before Troy, Greek Myths (D'Aulaire), Shadow Hawk, The Hittite Warrior, Pyramid/Castle/Cathedral (MacAulay series), The Lantern Bearers, etc., (Sutcliff Series) Bronze Bow, Life in Ancient Rome, Galen, Gateway to Medicine, Augustus Caesar's World, Caesar's Gallic War, St. Benedict Hero of the Hills, Augustine Came to Kent, Fingal's Quest, Robin Hood, Charlemagne, Detectives in Togas, A Christmas Carol, Adam of the Road, The Magna Charta, Francis and Clare, Saints of Assisi, St. Dominic and the Rosary, The Black Arrow, The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood, Tales from Shakespeare, etc.