

Elementary Plan (K to 5th)

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Reference:

<http://www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/> *

	K	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Phonics / Vocabulary						
Spelling						
Handwriting						
Writing						
Grammar						
Reading and Literature						
Poetry						
Novels						
Mathematics						
Science						
Art						
Bible and Theology						
Geography						
Health						
History						
Music						

* Home schools are not required to match public school curriculum but it's worthwhile to consider what is being taught.

See NC Home School Website at <http://ncadmin.nc.gov/citizens/home-school-information>

"G.S. 115C-563(a) gives the legal definition of a home school. It allows the parent, legal guardian, or a member of the two-family home school the discretion to determine the scope and sequence and sources of the academic instruction including, but not limited to, the use of professional educators, tutors, and other persons knowledgeable about the subject of instruction."

Curriculum Recommendations

Phonics / Vocabulary

Pre-K: [All About Reading Pre-Reading](#) (AALP)

More Teacher-Intense

K: [All About Reading Level 1](#) (AALP)

1st: [All About Reading Level 2](#) (AALP)

2nd: [All About Reading Level 3](#) (AALP)

3rd: [All About Reading Level 4](#) (AALP)

Less Teacher-Intense

K: [Adventures in Phonics Level A](#) and [Christian Liberty Kindergarten Phonics Readers](#) (CLP)

1st: [Adventures in Phonics Level B](#) and [Christian Liberty Nature Reader Book 1](#) (CLP)

2nd: [Adventures in Phonics Level C](#) and [Christian Liberty Nature Reader Book 2](#) (CLP)

3rd: [Christian Liberty Nature Reader Book 3](#) (CLP)

4th: [Wordly Wise 3000 Book 4](#) (EPS)

5th: [Wordly Wise 3000 Book 5](#) (EPS)

Spelling

More Teacher-Intense and more Multi-Sensory

1st: [All About Spelling Level 1](#) (AALP)

2nd: [All About Spelling Level 2](#) (AALP)

3rd: [All About Spelling Level 3](#) (AALP)

4th: [All About Spelling Level 4](#) (AALP)

5th: [All About Spelling Level 5](#) (AALP)

Less Teacher-Intense and less Multi-Sensory

1st: [Building Spelling Skills Book 1](#) (CLP)

2nd: [Building Spelling Skills Book 2](#) (CLP)

3rd: [Building Spelling Skills Book 3](#) (CLP)

4th: [Building Spelling Skills Book 4](#) (CLP)

5th: [Building Spelling Skills Book 5](#) (CLP)

Handwriting

K: [Italic Handwriting Series Book A: Basic Italic](#) (GDP) learn letters

1st: [Cursive Writing Skills for Right \(Left\) Handed Students](#) (EPS) cursive first!

[Italic Handwriting Series Book B: Basic Italic](#) (GDP)

2nd: [Italic Handwriting Series Book C: Basic and Cursive Italic](#) (GDP)

3rd: [Italic Handwriting Series Book D: Basic and Cursive Italic](#) (GDP)

4th: [Italic Handwriting Series Book E: Basic and Cursive Italic](#) (GDP)

5th: [Italic Handwriting Series Book F: Basic Italic](#) (GDP)

Cursive Writing Skills© Workbooks

© by Diana Hanbury King. Cursive only; one of the italic print styles could be used. ([Source](#))

Positive: Provides distinct left- and right-handed sloped styles and workbooks.

Negative: Cursive 'Q' and 'G'; cursive 'Z' has an extra loop.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 0123456789

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 0123456789

Getty-Dubay Italic™

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Positive: Sloped Print; print 't', 'q'; cursive 'Q'.

Negative: Undersized numerals.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 0123456789

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 0123456789 X Y Z

Writing

2nd: [Writing Skills Book A](#) (EPS)

3rd: [Easy Writing](#) (EGS)

4th: [*Just Write 3*](#) (EPS)

5th: [*Writing Skills Book 1*](#) (EPS)

Grammar

2nd: [*Easy Grammar: Daily Guided Teaching and Review for Grade 2*](#) (EGS)

3rd: [*Easy Grammar: Grade 3*](#) (EGS)

4th: [*Daily Grams: Grade 4*](#) (EGS)

5th: [*Daily Grams: Grade 5*](#) (EGS)

Reading and Literature

Pre-K: [*What Your Preschooler Needs to Know*](#) (CKF)

K: [*What Your Kindergartner Needs to Know*](#) (CKF)

1st: [*What Your First Grader Needs to Know*](#) (CKF)

2nd: [*What Your Second Grader Needs to Know*](#) (CKF)

3rd: [*What Your Third Grader Needs to Know*](#) (CKF)

[*The Book of Virtues*](#) by William J. Bennett

4th: [*What Your Fourth Grader Needs to Know*](#) (CKF)

[*Listen My Children, Fourth Grade*](#) (CKF)

5th: [*What Your Fifth Grader Needs to Know*](#) (CKF)

[*Listen My Children, Fifth Grade*](#) (CKF)

Poetry

1st-5th: [*The Harp and Laurel Wreath*](#) (all grades) (IP)

Novels

4th:

[*King Arthur and the Knights of the Roundtable*](#)

[*Robin Hood*](#)

[*Gulliver's Travels*](#) by Jonathan Swift

[*Pollyanna*](#) by Eleanor Porter

[*The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*](#) by Washington Irving

[*Rip Van Winkle*](#) by Washington Irving

[*Robinson Crusoe*](#) by Daniel Defoe

[*Treasure Island*](#) by Robert Louis Stevenson

[*The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*](#) by C.S. Lewis

[*The Magician's Nephew*](#) by C.S. Lewis

5th:

[*Little Women*](#) by Louisa May Alcott

[*Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass*](#) by Frederick Douglass

[*Sherlock Holmes*](#) by Arthur Conan Doyle

[*Don Quixote*](#) by Miguel de Cervantes

[*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*](#) by Mark Twain

[*The Secret Garden*](#) by Frances Hodgson Burnett

[*A Midsummer Night's Dream*](#) by William Shakespeare

[*The Horse and His Boy*](#) by C.S. Lewis

[*Prince Caspian*](#) by C.S. Lewis

Mathematics

K: [*RightStart Mathematics Level A*](#) (RSM)

1st: [*RightStart Mathematics Level B*](#) (RSM)

2nd: [*RightStart Mathematics Level C*](#) (RSM)

3rd: [*RightStart Mathematics Level D*](#) (RSM)

4th: [*RightStart Mathematics Level E*](#) (RSM)

5th: [*Math-U-See Epsilon*](#) (MUS)

Science

- K: [*The World God Made*](#) (CLP)
- 1st: [*Our Father's World*](#) (CLP)
- 2nd: [*God's Wonderful Works: The Creation in Six Days*](#) (CLP)
- 3rd: [*Science in the Beginning*](#) (BB)
- 4th: [*Science in the Ancient World*](#) (BB)
- 5th: [*Science in the Scientific Revolution*](#) (BB)

Art

- K: [*Celebrating Art*](#) (CLP)
- 1st: [*Appreciating Art*](#) (CLP)
- 2nd:
- 3rd:
- 4th: [*Feed My Sheep - 4 Year Curriculum*](#) (HGTA)
- 5th:

Bible and Theology

- K: [*Who is God?*](#) (AEM)
 - 1st: [*Who am I?*](#) (AEM)
 - 2nd: [*Who is my neighbor?*](#) (AEM)
 - 3rd: [*What on Earth Can I Do?*](#) (AEM)
 - 4th: [*Studying God's Word Book E: Genesis - Ruth*](#) (CLP)
 - 5th: [*Studying God's Word Book F: I Samuel - Malachi*](#) (CLP)
- (Catholic)
- 1st: [*Our Heavenly Father*](#) (IP)
 - 2nd: [*Jesus Our Life*](#) (IP)
 - 3rd: [*Our Life With Jesus*](#) (IP)
 - 4th: [*Jesus Our Guide*](#) (IP)
 - 5th: [*Credo: I Believe*](#) (IP)

Geography

- 1st-5th: [*Hands-On Geography*](#) (multi-year) (BIP)
- 3rd: [*World Rivers*](#) (CKF)
- 4th: [*Using Maps*](#) (CKF)
- [*World Mountains*](#) (CKF)
- 5th: [*World Lakes*](#) (CKF)

Health

- 1st: [*Health, Safety, and Manners 1*](#) (ABB)
- 2nd: [*Health, Safety, and Manners 2*](#) (ABB)
- 3rd: [*Health, Safety, and Manners 3*](#) (ABB)
- 4th: [*Developing Good Health*](#) (ABB)
- 5th: [*Enjoying Good Health*](#) (ABB)

History

- 1st: [*A Child's First Book of American History*](#) (BFB)
- 2nd: [*The Mystery of History Vol I Creation to the Resurrection*](#) (BIP)
- 3rd: [*The Mystery of History Vol II The Early Church and the Middle Ages*](#) (BIP)
- 4th: [*The Mystery of History Vol III The Renaissance, Reformation, and the Growth of Nations*](#) (BIP)
- 5th: [*All American History Vol I The Explorers to the Jacksonians*](#) (BIP)

Music

- K:
- 1st: [*Singing the Great Hymns*](#) (1-12) (SCM)
- 2nd: [*Beethoven Who? Family Fun with Music*](#) (MW)

Referenced Sites

AALP	All About Learning Press	http://www.allaboutlearningpress.com/
ABB	A Beka Book	http://www.abeka.com/
AEM	Apologia Educ Ministries	http://www.apologia.com/
BB	Berean Builders	https://www.bereanbuilders.com/
BFB	Beautiful Feet Books	http://bfbooks.com/
BIP	Bright Ideas Press	https://www.brightideaspress.com/
CKF	Core Knowledge Foundation	http://coreknowledge.org/
CLP	Christian Liberty Press	http://www.shopchristianliberty.com/
EGS	Easy Grammar System	https://www.easygrammar.com/
EPS	Educators Publishing Service	http://eps.schoolspecialty.com/
GDP	Getty-Dubay Productions	http://www.handwritingsuccess.com/
HGTA	How Great Thou ART	http://www.howgreatthouart.com/
IP	Ignatius Press	http://www.ignatius.com/
MUS	Math-U-See	http://mathusee.com/
MW	Marcia Washburn	http://www.marciawashburn.com/
RSM	RightStart Mathematics	http://rightstartmath.com/
SCM	Simply Charlotte Mason	https://simplycharlottesmason.com/

Curriculum Sites of Interest

Ambleside Online	http://amblesideonline.org/
Cathy Duffy Reviews	http://cathyduffyreviews.com/
Core Knowledge Foundation	http://coreknowledge.org/
Easy Peasy All-In-One Homeschool	https://allinonehomeschool.com/
Family Phonics Handwriting	http://familyphonics.com/handwriting/stylesintro.htm
Khan Academy	https://www.khanacademy.org/
Ron Paul Curriculum	http://www.ronpaulcurriculum.com/
Simply Charlotte Mason	https://simplycharlottesmason.com/planning/

Downloads of Core Knowledge Resources

Preschool Sequence

<https://www.coreknowledge.org/our-approach/core-knowledge-sequence/preschool-sequence/>

K-8 Sequence

<https://www.coreknowledge.org/our-approach/core-knowledge-sequence/k-8-sequence/>

Biblical Literacy

https://web.archive.org/web/20161123082328/http://www.coreknowledge.org/mimik/mimik_uploads/documents/497/Biblical%20Literacy.pdf

Language Arts - Complete program free to download

<https://www.coreknowledge.org/curriculum/language-arts/>

History and Geography - Grades 3 - 5

<https://www.coreknowledge.org/curriculum/history-geography/>