

Elementary Plan (K to 5th)

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Reference:

<https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/academic-standards/standard-course-study> *

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

* 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 <https://www.doa.nc.gov/divisions/non-public-education/home-schools>

"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) and [Hearts and Hands](#) (CLP) 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

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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, Book 3](#) (EPS)

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

Grammar

2nd: [Easy Grammar: 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)

Reading Comprehension

2nd: [Early Reading Comprehension, Book A](#) (EPS)

3rd: [Reading Comprehension in Varied Subject Matter, Book 1](#) (EPS)

4th: [Reading Comprehension in Varied Subject Matter, Book 2](#) (EPS)

5th: [Reading Comprehension in Varied Subject Matter, Book 3](#) (EPS)

Poetry

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

Novels

4th:

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

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

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

[Pollyanna](#) by Eleanor Porter

[Rip Van Winkle](#) by Washington Irving

[Robin Hood](#)

[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:

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

[Don Quixote](#) by Miguel de Cervantes

[Little Women](#) by Louisa May Alcott

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

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

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

[Sherlock Holmes](#) by Arthur Conan Doyle

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

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

Mathematics

More Teacher-Intense

- 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: [RightStart Mathematics Level F](#) (RSM)

Less Teacher-Intense

- K: [Mathematical Reasoning Level A](#) and [Building Thinking Skills Primary](#) (TCTC)
- 1st: [Mathematical Reasoning Level B](#) (TCTC)
- 2nd: [Mathematical Reasoning Level C](#) and [Building Thinking Skills Level 1](#) (TCTC)
- 3rd: [Mathematical Reasoning Level D](#) and [Mathematical Reasoning Grades 2-4 Supplement](#) (TCTC)
- 4th: [Saxon 5/4 with DIVE Video Lectures](#) (DIVE) and [Building Thinking Skills Level 2](#) (TCTC)
- 5th: [Saxon 6/5 with DIVE Video Lectures](#) (DIVE)

Beast Academy (as supplement)

- 1st: [Beast Academy Level 1](#) (BA)
- 2nd: [Beast Academy Level 2](#) (BA)
- 3rd: [Beast Academy Level 3](#) (BA)
- 4th: [Beast Academy Level 4](#) (BA)
- 5th: [Beast Academy Level 5](#) (BA)

Science

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

Art

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

Bible and Theology

- K-5: [Biblical Literacy](#)
- 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: [Preparing God's People: 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

- K-5th: [*Hands-On Geography*](#) (multi-year)
- K: [*Kindergarten History and Geography*](#) (CKF)
- 1st: [*Grade 1 History and Geography*](#) (CKF)
- 2nd: [*Grade 2 History and Geography*](#) (CKF)
- 3rd: [*Grade 3 History and Geography*](#) (CKF)
- 4th: [*Grade 4 History and Geography*](#) (CKF)
- 5th: [*Grade 5 History and Geography*](#) (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-5th: [*Singing the Great Hymns*](#) (1-12) (SCM)
- 2nd: [*Beethoven Who? Family Fun with Music*](#) (MW)

Computer Literacy

- 1st- 5th:
[*code.org Elementary curriculum*](#)
[Typing *https://edu.gcfglobal.org/en/typing/*](https://edu.gcfglobal.org/en/typing/)
- K: [*CKSci: Computers All Around Us*](#)
- 1st: [*CKSci: Helpful Computers*](#)
- 2nd: [*CKSci: Using Computers*](#)
- 3rd: [*CKSci: Codes and Computers*](#)
- 4th: [*CKSci: Problem-Solving and Computers*](#)
- 5th: [*CKSci: Designing Computer Programs*](#)

Referenced Sites

AALP	All About Learning Press	https://www.allaboutlearningpress.com/
ABB	A Beka Book	http://www.abeka.com/
AEM	Apologia Educ Ministries	https://www.apologia.com/
BA	Beast Academy	https://beastacademy.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	https://www.coreknowledge.org/
CLP	Christian Liberty Press	http://www.shopchristianliberty.com/
DIVE	Digital Interactive Video Education	https://diveintomath.com/
EGS	Easy Grammar System	https://www.easygrammar.com/
EPS	Educators Publishing Service	http://eps.schoolspecialty.com/
GDP	Getty-Dubay Productions	https://handwritingsuccess.com/
HGTA	How Great Thou ART	http://www.howgreatthouart.com/
IP	Ignatius Press	https://www.ignatius.com/
MW	Marcia Washburn	http://www.marciawashburn.com/
RSM	RightStart Mathematics	https://rightstartmath.com/
SCM	Simply Charlotte Mason	https://simplycharlottemason.com/
TCTC	The Critical Thinking Co	https://www.criticalthinking.com/

Curriculum Sites of Interest

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

Downloads of Core Knowledge Resources

Preschool Sequence

<https://www.coreknowledge.org/preschool-sequence/>

K-8 Sequence

<https://www.coreknowledge.org/k-8-sequence/>

Language Arts, History & Geography, Science, Math, Arts - Complete program free to download

<https://www.coreknowledge.org/curriculum/>

Biblical Literacy

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