

## 5th Grade Core Course Descriptions

Reading/English Language Arts	Humanities
<p><b>Unit 1: Growing Up   Writing Focus:</b> Evidence-Based Writing In this unit, students will read a novel that allows them to ponder the implications of eternal life from the point of view of a young girl who has not yet come of age. <b>Anchor Text:</b> <i>Tuck Everlasting</i> by Natalie Babbitt</p> <p><b>Unit 2: Courageous Contributors   Writing Focus:</b> Narrative Writing This unit will help students envision how to be courageous contributors within their communities in the face of injustice. <b>Anchor Text:</b> <i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i> by Mildred Taylor</p> <p><b>Unit 3: Embracing Heritage   Writing Focus:</b> Argument Writing Students continue to read stories and informational texts and discuss what they reveal about our own country, the United States of America, and to learn about the role of immigration in American heritage. <b>Anchor Text:</b> <i>Inside Out and Back Again</i> by Thanhha Lai</p> <p><b>Unit 4: What Makes a Hero   Writing Focus:</b> Informative, Narrative, and Argument Writing. Students will explore the distinction between a hero and an idol in this unit. <b>Anchor Text:</b> <i>Beowulf: A New Telling</i> by Richard Nye</p>	<p><b>Unit 1: Change is Gonna Come: Renaissance and Rights</b> In this unit, students will begin by exploring the various social and economic factors that led to the Great Migration.</p> <p><b>Unit 2: A Work in Progress: Civil War and Reconstruction</b> Students examine the conditions that led to conflict during the Civil War and Reconstruction, including the abolitionist movements, focusing on 1820-1876.</p> <p><b>Unit 3: Problems and Perspectives on Progress: Westward Expansion</b> This unit will allow students to create criteria for good progress and ultimately form an opinion on the effects of Westward Expansion.</p> <p><b>Unit 4: War and Peace: Spanish American and World Wars</b> Students examine how changes in the relationship between the media and Americans contributed to the US declaration of war against Spain.</p>
Mathematics	Science
<p>SPORK Math is our spiraling curriculum that comprises the following courses: Arithmetic A, Arithmetic B, and Pre-Algebra. SPORK Math is delivered through tablets.</p> <p><b>Unit 1:</b> Numbers; <b>Unit 2:</b> Divisibility And Factorization; <b>Unit 3:</b> Operations With Signed Numbers; <b>Unit 4:</b> Fractions; <b>Unit 5:</b> Measuring Objects Using The U.S. Customary System Of Units; <b>Unit 6:</b> Decimal System; <b>Unit 7:</b> Lines, Angles, And Polygons; <b>Unit 8:</b> Equations; <b>Unit 9:</b> Word Problems; <b>Unit 10:</b> Part Of Whole; <b>Unit 11:</b> Area; <b>Unit 12:</b> Ratios And Proportions; <b>Unit 13:</b> Advanced Geometry; <b>Unit 14:</b> Introduction To Functions And Probability</p>	<p>STEMscopes is our primary instructional resource for teaching science. It is built on an instructional philosophy that centers on students learning science through hands-on exploration and inquiry. Each lesson includes a series of investigations and activities to bring science to life for our students so they can “learn by doing” and fully engage in the scientific process. 5th Grade topics are: <b>Interaction in Matter, Matter and Energy Flow in an Ecosystem; Human Impact on the Earth’s Systems, MISA Review, Coding 101, &amp; Health</b></p>

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade School Supply List - School Year 2025-26

Items to bring to school	Items to keep at home	Class Specific Items
<input type="checkbox"/> Bookbag of your choice <input type="checkbox"/> <b>ELA &amp; Humanities Anchor Texts***</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Zipper binder (Trapper Keeper) <input type="checkbox"/> Communications Journal <input type="checkbox"/> Notebook Paper (Wide Ruled) <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pair of earbuds <input type="checkbox"/> 1 inch 3-ring binder <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Red</b> 2 inch 3-ring binder <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Red</b> Pocket folder for homework <input type="checkbox"/> Insertable dividers with tabs <input type="checkbox"/> Large Pencil Pouch packed with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pencils</li> <li>• Blue or Black ink pens only</li> <li>• Small pencil sharpener that holds shavings</li> <li>• 2 highlighters</li> <li>• erasers</li> <li>• colored pencils/markers</li> <li>• Index cards</li> </ul> <input type="checkbox"/> Pocket Hand Sanitizer <input type="checkbox"/> Face Masks <input type="checkbox"/> Travel size personal hygiene items (eg, feminine items & deodorant)	<input type="checkbox"/> Packages of #2 Pencils <input type="checkbox"/> Packages of loose leaf paper <input type="checkbox"/> Old worksheets <input type="checkbox"/> Graph paper <input type="checkbox"/> Packages of glue sticks <input type="checkbox"/> Packages of ball point pens <input type="checkbox"/> Packages of colored pencils/markers	<p><b><u>MATH</u></b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 2-sided metric and standard to ¼ inch ruler <input type="checkbox"/> 4-function calculator <input type="checkbox"/> Composition notebook <input type="checkbox"/> Graph paper
	<p><b><u>Anchor Text Lists</u></b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Unit 1</b> - <i>Tuck Everlasting</i> by Natalie Babbitt <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Unit 2</b> - <i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i> by Mildred Taylor <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Unit 3</b> - <i>Inside Out and Back Again</i> by Nella Larsen <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Unit 4</b> - <i>Beowulf: A New Telling</i> by Richard Nye	<p><b><u>PE/HEALTH</u></b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle
	<p>***Class sets of the Anchor Texts are provided; however, students are encouraged to purchase their own copy.***</p>	<p><b><u>ELA</u></b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1-Subject Spiral Notebook <input type="checkbox"/> Pocket Folder
		<p><b><u>HUMANITIES</u></b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1-Subject Spiral Notebook <input type="checkbox"/> Pocket Folder
		<p><b><u>SCIENCE</u></b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1-Subject Spiral Notebook
		<p><b><u>ELECTIVE CLASS(ES)</u></b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1-Subject Spiral Notebook



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