



DENVER CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL

Inspired Equipped Engaged

ELEMENTARY

LAYING A SOLID EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Founded in 1916, the Denver Christian School tradition of educational excellence has always been based on the idea of being forward-thinking and meeting the needs of the times. Today, our elementary school program serves children in kindergarten through fifth grades.

At Denver Christian, we are focused on cultivating the talents of each individual student so that they can grow, develop, and flourish in recognition of the talents that God has chosen for him or her. DC elementary students are encouraged to develop a love of learning as they develop basic skills for a lifetime of education. Our K-5 teachers provide an environment where children feel safe, loved and respected.

Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

-Proverbs 22:6

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Denver Christian's elementary program emphasizes in kindergarten through fifth grades are reading and math. Our reading program grounds children's early reading skills in a strong phonics base, helps children develop excellent word attack capabilities, and invites children to enjoy reading. DCS students develop reading fluency and competence through a strong literature program in the upper elementary grades. Spelling and writing complement reading instruction to round out the language arts program.



The Elementary math program equips students with a strong foundation of math facts while developing problem-solving skills and a full understanding of math concepts. Students use manipulatives, reflex math, Khan Academy, and other resources to enrich the math curriculum. Our students understand how numbers work, build logic and problem-solving skills and develop age-appropriate computation confidence and fluency.



DCS students in grades K-5 also study science, social studies, and Bible. The Elementary Bible curriculum is solid in theology and Bible instruction. It was developed to ensure a strong and lasting connection with students. The goal is to equip students with the knowledge they need to understand and believe God's word, and to reflect that relationship and faith in their daily interactions.



Technology is infused throughout the curriculum. Our teachers leverage promethean boards in the classroom to engage students in collaborative, interactive learning sessions. Frequent visits to the computer lab help children learn to use these important tools to enhance their exploration of God's world.



Elementary students enjoy art, music, and library, each week. Denver Christian's library system is an information center that provides students access to more than 23,000 volumes and equips them with the resources and skills necessary to become effective users of ideas and information.



In music, third graders learn to play recorders, while fifth graders having the opportunity to choose an instrument and join the school band. Student work is showcased through art festivals, elementary performances, choir and band programs.



The Elementary physical education program celebrates movement and its importance in the learning process. Students are given the opportunity to learn teamwork, athletic skills, and an appreciation for lifelong fitness. The school year culminates with an elementary field day on our new athletic fields.





DC K-5 STUDENTS EXPERIENCE - BY THE GRADE

- K - Enrichment; Learning School; Reading Buddies
- 1st - Animal Research Project; Friday Fun Days
- 2nd - Study of Denver; Cursive Writing
- 3rd - The Scientific Method; Music - Learn to Play Recorders
- 4th - eMission Project; Rocket Launch
- 5th - Band, Wax Museum Project; Revolutionary War Re-Enactment

ALL DC ELEMENTARY STUDENTS EXPERIENCE:

- Art, Music, Computers, Library, Physical Education
- Hour of Code
- Music/Choir performances
- Write Faith Statements
- Faith Families
- Book Fairs/Reading Counts
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Field Trips
- Field Day

8

is the average
number of field trips
DCS elementary
students take per
year

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

For parents in need of support beyond the normal school day, Denver Christian offers an excellent before and after care program for students.

- Before school 7:00-8:10 am
- After school 3:15-6:00 pm

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

- Drama (Grades 2-5)
- Math Enrichment (Grades 1-6)
- Book Club (Grades 3-5)
- Arts and Crafts (Grades K-6)
- Spanish Enrichment (Grades K-2, 3-5)
- Preschool Creative Dance
- Beginning Guitar (3-12)



Elementary School Book Club meets once a week



Denver Christian School partners with the American Heart Association to raise awareness about heart health.