

# Literature:

*Grades 5-6*

Course Syllabus

2026-2027

## Course Objectives:

- Develop higher level thinking skills that allow students to think beyond the text
- Analyze components of literature such as plot, character, setting, climax, theme, conflict and resolution
- Dive deeper into reading strategies
- Learn how to engage with literature academically and creatively while further instilling a love for literature
- Learn how to analyze literature through the lens of history and Biblical truth

## Course Components:

- Pre-reading and post-reading activities
- Independent (or at home with family) reading assignments weekly (reading along with an audiobook, when available, is acceptable)
- Vocabulary development
- Comprehension work
- Literature discussions utilizing a variety of formats such as literature circles, interactive notebooking, etc.

This course will consist of an exploration of the literature piece students are currently reading or some in class readings. Students should expect to read 6 novels over the course of the year. We will have some smaller readings assigned throughout the year both in class and at home.

## Course Materials:

- 6 novels: most based on the middle ages( aligning with our history curriculum) a few middle grade modern novels to explore some other ideas together, and a biography of an important Christian figure in the time period studied.