#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Course Overviews

## Spelling

Students will learn new words and their meaning through creative word exercises and activities. Various activities from alphabetizing the words to solving word puzzles and riddles make learning fun!

### **Phonics**

Students will be provided daily exercises to reinforce the phonics concepts vital to the mastery of their reading skills. Using the themes of the zoo, the farm, and the ocean, students will practice activities such as marking vowels and circling suffixes, completing sentences, and filling in missing letters.

#### Math

Students will explore concepts such as counting, writing and reading numbers, place value, addition and subtraction, money, graphs, measurement, time, temperature, and fractions. They will learn how to apply it to real-world situation.

#### Science

From senses and simple machines to squirrels, sunflowers, and seasons, students will discover more about the world God created! By understanding observable aspects of God's creation, they will develop a greater reverence for the Master Designer who planned it all.

## History

Students will gain a greater interest in and love for America as they learn about its symbols, history, and places of interest. They will learn how the United States was founded and its principles of freedom.

### Language

Students will be able to capitalize significant words; end a sentence with correct punctuation; recognize rhyming words, compound words, synonyms, antonyms, homonyms, and contractions; use prefixes and suffixes; alphabetize words; and write original stories on specific topics.

# Reading

Students will be reading with one- and two-vowel word stories that are all about animals. Each story is followed by an exercise such as matching sentences with pictures, reading words and phrases from the story, or marking true statements.

## Bible

Students are given an overview of the Bible, with an emphasis on God's attributes, biblical characters, the early Church, and what it means to know Jesus Christ and live for Him. Students will also be required to memorize scriptures.