

SIXTH GRADE

GENERAL INFORMATION

RSM Christian School (RSMCS) sixth graders start each day with pledges, prayer, and worship. Core subjects include Bible, math, science, language arts, and social studies, taught to meet or exceed California State Standards. Enrichment subjects like PE, music, Spanish, STEAM, art, and library are taught by specialists. Students also attend field trips throughout the year. RSMCS is accredited by the ACSI and WASC, and our teachers are Christians, ACSI Certified, and credentialed.

SPIRITUAL & SOCIAL

<u>Bible</u>

Sixth graders study the Bible, focusing on key passages, critical thinking, and developing a Biblical worldview. Students share personal testimonies through writing and presentations.

Curriculum: Biblical Choices for a New Generation (BJU).

Chapel

Each week, students come together for chapel, engaging in powerful worship and receiving a relevant message. They are also encouraged to live out their faith by serving and loving others and supporting both local and global outreach partners. In the second half of the school year, sixth graders participate in Junior High chapels as part of their progression into Junior High.

<u>Social</u>

RSMCS emphasizes Christian character development and biblical conflict resolution and fosters independent study habits, executive functioning, and a growth mindset. Students are encouraged to take on academic and social responsibilities, building skills that will benefit them throughout their school years and beyond. Through the Prayer Partners program, older students mentor younger ones in prayer, fostering connections across age groups.

ACADEMICS

Mathematics

Emphasis on computing and solving problems using the four arithmetic operations with whole numbers, fractions, decimals, and positive and negative integers. Students use unknown variables to solve multiple-step linear equations. Students use reasoning skills and explore introductory algebra.

Curriculum: Reveal Math Course 1 (McGraw Hill)

Language Arts & Reading

Focus on reading, comprehending, and analyzing significant works of literature from a biblical worldview. Students read 3-4 novels annually, using Junior Great Books to enhance discussion and writing skills. Emphasis on writing clear essays with proper grammar, sentence structure, and punctuation.

Curriculum: English 6 Writing and Grammar (BJU Press), Write Reflections

Science & Health

Emphasis on exploring life, physical, and earth sciences through research, discussion, projects, experiments, and the scientific method.

Special Activity: Four-day outdoor science camp at Thousand Pines Christian Camp. Curriculum: *Science 6 for Christian Schools* (BJU Press).

History & Geography

Focus on the geography of the Eastern Hemisphere and ancient history from creation to 500 AD, viewed from a Christian perspective.

Students explore the origins and structures of early civilizations like Mesopotamia, Egypt, Israel, Greece, India, China, and Rome through reading, research, discussion, and projects.

Special Activity: Ancient Civilizations Day Curriculum: *Heritage Studies* 6 (BJU Press).

Enrichment

Art
Library
Music
Physical Education
Spanish
STEAM
Technology