

# South Pointe Christian School

## Seventh Grade Course Descriptions

## Seventh Grade Texts, Publishers, and Course Descriptions

### MATH

Mathematics 7 Course II

Prentice Hall

*This course will prepare students for success in algebra and other secondary courses. The course focuses on basic problem solving skills while building a foundation in algebraic operations and functions, rational numbers, integers, equations and inequalities.*

### LANGUAGE

Grammar: Grammar and Composition I

A Beka Books Publications

Literature: Of People

A Beka books Publications

Vocabulary, Spelling, Poetry I

A Beka Books Publications

Novels: Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C. S. Lewis

Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

Johnny Tremain by Esther Forbes

*The seventh grade English course builds on the foundation begun in elementary school. This course will prepare the students for more advanced high school English studies. In grammar (Grammar and Composition I), the students will learn grammatical rules and master the skills needed to apply those rules in their writing and speaking. The procedures for writing outlines, summaries, book reports, and research papers will be taught and the student will be expected to produce examples of each. Literature (Of Places) contains selections that will help promote enthusiasm and interest for the junior high school student. Many of the selections will be assigned as homework to be discussed the next day in class, but some will be given as speed and comprehension quizzes during class time. Each lesson in Vocabulary, Spelling, Poetry I contains twenty spelling words and seven vocabulary words, with pronunciations, definitions, and sample sentences. All the spelling words are practical, and many are frequently misspelled. Many of the vocabulary words are taken from the stories in Of Places. Students will memorize nine poems over the course of the year. This memory work will help students to lay a foundation for future literature studies.*

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### SCIENCE

Science: Order and Design

A Beka Book Publications

Science: Order and Design Activity Book

A Beka Book Publications

Science in Action

A Beka Book Publications

*This course is written from the Christian perspective with the conviction that God is the Creator and Sustainer of the universe. Students are taught that man is to have dominion over the earth and with that responsibility comes the necessity of being good tenders, and managers of earth's resources. Science: Order and Design investigates fields such as botany, anatomy, zoology, and ecology with the goal of discovering the thoughts of the Creator through the ingenious structure and orderly function of His creation. Activity worksheets and labs (which include dissections of various plants and animals) are used as methods of review. Student will be expected to complete a scientific research paper and to do a six to eight week scientific investigation project. This course offers the student the freedom to study creation without the hindrance of false philosophies, greater insight into the marvels of creation, and an infallible source of truth – the Bible – with which to compare his/her observations.*

### BIBLE

Ships

Positive Action Publishers

King James Bible

*This unique Bible curriculum deals with the relationships of life. Ships explores the relationship of the students to their home (kinship), the opposite sex (courtship), their peers (friendship), their school (scholarship), their church (fellowship), and with the Lord (lordship). As the students explore these major relationships, they will come to see how important each is in their own lives. They will learn that God's Word has clear instructions for how they should handle each relationship. The emphases of each lesson is to encourage teens to make personal applications to their lives, and to challenge them to become more Christ-like – physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually.*

### HISTORY

History of the World

A Beka Books Publications

World Atlas and Geography Studies: Eastern Hemisphere

A Beka Books Publications

*This course is taught from a conservative, Christian perspective, and students are taught to see God's guidance and providence in the history of the world. Emphasis is placed on the role of individuals in world events. Focus is made on those individuals whose lives the students may emulate. History of the World offers students the unique opportunity to better understand the geography of the Eastern Hemisphere. They are encouraged to use the knowledge received in this class to make a positive impact in this present time. Current events are assigned weekly, and these are used as a tool to keep students informed about the events that are shaping modern history.*

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### **CREATIVE WRITING**

**Wordsmith**

**Common Sense Press**

*This one semester elective course covers foundations of creative writing and builds practical writing skills to prepare young adults for a lifetime of excellence in writing.*

### **COMPUTER**

**Introduction to Computers**

**Computer Basics**

**Computer Projects for Middle Schools**

**Shelly Cashman series**

**Teacher Created Resources**

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*This one semester elective course introduces students of all ability levels to the fundamental operation of a personal computer while providing them with the knowledge of how computer technology is applied in our society.*

### **ART**

**Drawing Basics with Thomas Kinkade**

**Alpha Omega Publications, Inc.**

*The course is designed for students who have little or no formal instruction in drawing. It focuses on an introduction to the art world and the basic drawing skill students need in order to have a strong understanding of the elements of art and principles of design. Text and video-based instruction culminates in activities intended to familiarize students with these elements and principles.*