



**First Grade at a Glance**  
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Philosophy: I believe that each child is unique and will reach their fullest potential when provided with a safe, nurturing and stimulating classroom environment.

**Highlights:** All Saints Pageant, Christmas Pageant, 100th Day and Dr. Seuss celebrations, trips, activities that supplement curriculum, Easter egg hunt and Chick Hatching;

**Curriculum:**

**Religion:**

- Sacraments
- Blessed Trinity
- Mass
- Prayers
- Religious Holidays/Church Seasons
- Saints
- All Saints and Christmas Pageants

- Writing activities
- Fluency/expression
- Book challenge
- Class blog
- Centers and working with partners or in small groups
- Silent Reading
- Enrichment activities

**Math:**

- Addition and subtraction strategies
- Place value
- Geometry
- Measurement
- Telling time
- Problem solving
- Math talk
- Written responses and explanations
- Xtramath
- Centers and working with partners or in small groups
- Enrichment activities

**Technology:**

- Netbooks/iPads
- Calculators
- Smartboard
- AppleTV

**Science:**

- Scientific method/experiments
- Light and sound
- Plants and animals
- Space
- Chick hatching
- STEM activities

**ELA:**

- Fiction and nonfiction stories
- Vocabulary development
- Phonics
- Spelling
- Grammar

**Social Studies:**

- Historical and Religious leaders
- Holidays
- Map skills/timelines
- Culture

**Specials:** Spanish, Music, Gym, Art **Trips:** Apple orchard, Arden Theater, Liberty Bell

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