

# 6TH

## HISTORY AND LANGUAGE ARTS

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#### DEGREES

Masters in Religion, Spiritual Formation  
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BA in History, Secondary Education from  
Missouri Western State University

#### EXPERIENCE

4 years in Teaching  
17 years as a Children's Pastor

ACSI Certified  
AZ 6-12 Certified

It is my privilege to partner with you in this first year of Middle School. The Middle School team strives to nurture your student academically, spiritually, and emotionally as they learn who they are and develop the talents and gifts that God has given them.

### STUDENTS' SERVING OTHERS PROJECTS

Sixth Grade Class Service Project

Amor Trip (build house in Mexico)

Feed My Starving Children (meal packing)

### 6TH GRADE CORE

Sixth grade is a time of change and growth. Sixth grade students desire to know that they are loved and valued. At Casas, students learn through developmentally appropriate strategies and differentiated lessons designed to target the readiness level of each student.

Students discover how the Lord has worked in history, and connect peoples' concerns in the past with the concerns, events, and issues of today. In sixth grade, the history content focuses on the beginning of civilizations through the Renaissance in Europe. Students complete a variety of enriching activities to strengthen their creativity and grow in their use of learning strategies to apply as life-long learners.

In language arts, care is taken to help develop each students' love for reading. Some of the novel studies correlate with the history units to enrich the students' understanding of the period. Other novel studies are chosen based upon literary excellence to strengthen students' skills as readers, writers, and critical thinkers.

Regardless of the genre, every novel study challenges the students to consider things through a biblical worldview and to communicate with excellence (whether giving a presentation, writing in different domains, or collaborating with others). Most grammar instruction is given in the context of the student's own writing. Students are taught and challenged in all of the Six-Traits of Writing and practice writing different styles of poetry.

#### EXAMPLES OF NOVEL STUDIES

(due to differentiation, the list will vary by student)

*Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh, Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief, The Mysterious Benedict Society, A Christmas Carol, The Bronze Bow, Redwall, Phantom Tollbooth, The Wizard of Oz, Journey to the Center of the Earth, The King's Fifth, and many other great titles.*

#### HISTORY TEXT

World History: Ancient Civilizations Through the Renaissance by Holt McDougal