

What Is Pinnacle Curriculum?

Pinnacle is a guide for daily curriculum in the faith-based early childhood classroom. It is designed to assist teachers with program planning that encourages children to develop their emerging skills in all the developmental areas and experience God's love. It is designed to provide activities for both group time and the learning areas so that teachers have an abundance of ideas to stimulate the environment for the children in their classroom. The activities meet learning objectives that help children move toward their potential as they explore the materials and activities in the classroom. Because Pinnacle Curriculum offers teachers so many ideas in an easy-to-use format, the burden of program planning is lighter and more time is available for meeting the individual needs of each child.

Pinnacle for school-age children provides teachers with a guide for programming and curriculum in the after school classroom that meets the development needs of the six through twelve-year-old child. It provides opportunities for students to interact with each other as they participate in activities that challenge their creativity and provide a social/recreational outlet. Pinnacle for school-agers is formatted in a weekly activity format, with many more suggested activities during the summer camp months of June, July, and August. The suggested activities encourage teachers to give students many choices as they help with and lead projects that have meaning for them.

Pinnacle Curriculum is centered on monthly themes, with weekly unit themes as well. Each month of curriculum provides five full weeks of activities, in a daily format for easy use. In a four-week month, you have the option to choose the weeks that best meet the needs of your program and the current interests of the children.

What a privilege we have as caregivers to teach the love of Christ to our children. Through your love, kindness, and nurturing touch, you have the unique opportunity to show Christ's love to them. As you gently care for their needs, pour love and affection onto them, and love them with God's love. Show kindness to them in your words and actions, and become a living model of "love is patient, love is kind..." As you nurture your children in a love that comes only from above, you help them grow in the Lord. What a privilege, and what an opportunity!