



5th Grade • 6th Grade • 7th Grade

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# BRIDGE 56

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement  
give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you

— *follow Christ Jesus together,* —

ROMANS 15:5-6



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# A Purposeful Transition Between Elementary and Junior High

# Why the Bridge Program Exists

5<sup>th</sup> Grade • 6<sup>th</sup> Grade • 7<sup>th</sup> Grade



Moving directly from a self-contained elementary classroom to junior high can be overwhelming.



Students face new expectations, multiple teachers, class transitions, lockers, and a faster pace.



Bridge 5–6 provides a structured and supportive transition between the two.

# What Is the Bridge Program?

5<sup>th</sup> Grade • 6<sup>th</sup> Grade



A two-year transitional model designed for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders.



Students stay in a consistent homeroom group throughout the day.



They rotate to different subject-specific teachers, but always move together.



Designed to build independence while keeping students known and supported.

# A Day in the Life of a 5<sup>th</sup> Grader



Morning starts with homeroom, prayer, and devotion.



Students attend electives such as computers, journalism, music, and art.



Core classes include math, science, language arts, Bible, and history.



Students have lunch and recess with the entire 5th grade class.



Each student will select a music elective for the entire year. All other elective options will rotate by quarter so that all students will experience all of the elective options by the end of the year.

80-125  
mins/day

# Enrichment and Leadership



Hands-on science labs and dissections.



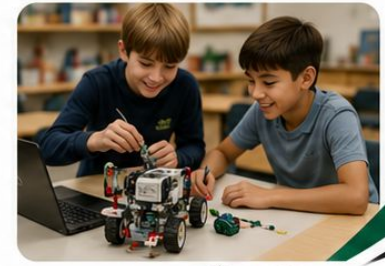
Outdoor School for 5th grade.



Leadership class with roles in chapel and service projects.



Clubs and activities such as LEGO Robotics.



They will move classes (and have different teachers) but they will remain with their homeroom group. For example, after they finish science they will go together to the room across the hallway for math.

# Parent Partnership



We value strong communication and collaboration with families.



Bridge Parent Night in September to meet teachers and ask questions.



Ongoing support throughout the year.



**Please plan on attending the September Parent information night. Details will be sent out in August.**

# Why Bridge Works



A gradual transition from a self-contained classroom model to junior high.



Students gain the tools, habits, and confidence needed for greater independence.



Bridge students transition into 7th grade confidently prepared for the expectations of junior high.



Strong Foundations. Confident Futures.



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