



## Conservatory Lab Charter School –Yearly Curriculum Overview, 2005-06

### Grade: 5

Month	Reading	Writing	Math	Science	Social Studies	Music	Violin
September	Novel study: <i>Winn Dixie</i> -story elements -narrative structure -dialogue-description	The writing process Personal narratives	Mathematical thinking -skills review	Astronomy -the night sky -how astronomers learn about space -the solar system -stars and galaxies	Map Skills Civics	Rhythmic + melodic review Use classroom instruments and recorders	The violin curriculum is tailored to each child based on the number of years that he or she has attended CLCS and/or any IEP modifications. For detailed information about what your child will learn this year, please see the Promotion Requirement list in your child's violin binder starting on September 19th. We will highlight the songs and skills your child will need to learn in order to complete the work for the year. For weekly and monthly updates, see the homework section of your child's practice calendar, also located in the violin binder.
October	↓ Genre study	Paragraph writing -graphic organizers	Computation and estimation strategies	↓ Astronomy, continued -survival in space	↓ Early American Colonies	Prepare/present low "ti" Prepare/present/write eighth rest Improvise with rhythmic instruments	
November	American Revolution story selections; -author's viewpoint -character development	Descriptive essay Formal letters	↓	↓	↓	Triplets and 6/8 time Prepare/present high "ti" Sing, read, write major/minor scale Prepare winter concert	
December	-cause and effect -biography	Diary writing from character's perspective	Table + Graphs	Systems in Living Things -life process of plant & animals -structure of plant & animal cells	↓ American Revolution	American folk music and dance from Revolutionary Period Harmony and chords	
January	Novel Study: <i>The Watsons Go to Birmingham</i> -organizational structures -figurative language -stylistic elements	Persuasive essay	Statistics	↓	↓	Question and answer Phrasing Compose a piece in Rondo form	
February	↓	Newspaper writing -Class newspaper	Fractions, percents, and decimals	↓	The Constitution Economics	Prepare/present/practice dotted eighth + sixteenth note patterns Compose melodies using major scale	
March	Novel Study: <i>Manic Magee</i> -poetry -elements in dramatic literature	Research Writing	Probability	Populations and Ecosystems -interactions of living and non-living things -how energy and matter flow -biomes	Growth of the Republic -LA purchase -Lewis and Clarke -abolition of slavery -War of 1812	Dynamics, phrasing, tempo, and articulation markings Theme and Variation form	
April	↓	Comparison Essay	Estimations and measurement	Populations and Ecosystems, continued: -biodiversity	Growth of the Republic, continued: -China trade -westward expansion -issues that led to Civil War	Tied notes Cut time and common time Conducting	
May	Theme: Westward Expansion -literature from other cultures -drawing conclusions -point of view -review comprehension strategies	Speech writing presentation (reading tie in)	2-D Geography	↓	↓	Sing, play, and write songs using 2 and 3 parts Prepare spring concert	
June	↓	Portfolio Reflections	3-D Geography	↓	↓	Styles of music and careers in music	