Fourth Grade Program - Goals and Objectives

Fourth-graders' religion studies include learning to pray regularly, and finding ways to express praise and thankfulness to God for his many gifts. In the social studies curriculum, students learn about North America's first explorers, natural U.S. boundaries, precipitation, U.S. geography, latitude and longitude, and the form of government in the United States. Math studies focus on reading and writing numbers with up to 9 digits, adding a column of three or more numbers, multiplying 3-digit by 2-digit numbers, multiplying 4-digit by 1-digit numbers, telling time to the minute, reading and writing decimals, and more. In language, students learn to identify and write complete sentences with proper capitalization and punctuation, to identify parts of speech, to define and use similes and metaphors, and to write a poem. Students increase their vocabulary, spelling abilities and reading comprehension skills, and master cursive writing. The science curriculum focuses on the uses of plants, the process by which plants make food, the characteristics of oceans and estuaries, how fossils were formed, static electricity and other topics.