

CSK Program of Inquiry 2017-2018

Fifth Grade 2017-2018 Program of Inquiry

**First Trimester
Aug. 23-Sept. 15**

Theme	Who We Are
Title	Who Do You Think You Are?
Key Concepts	responsibility, form, causation
Related Concepts	impact, duty
Central Idea	Each member of a learning community has unique beliefs and perspectives.
Inquiry Into	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. What makes me unique2. The impact my fellow learners have on me3. The responsibilities I have as a member of a learning community
Learner Profile	reflective, communicator
Attitudes	curiosity, tolerance
Transdisciplinary Skills	research, communication, self-management

Sept. 18-Oct. 27

Theme	How We Express Ourselves
Title	Power of the Pen
Key Concepts	form, function, perspective
Related Concepts	structure, role, interpretation
Central Idea	Authors make specific choices about how and what they communicate.
Inquiry Into	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Features of writing2. Author and character perspective3. Author's message/theme4. Author's purpose5. How author perspective, purpose, and message affect the composition as a whole
Learner Profile	knowledgeable, communicator
Attitudes	creativity, appreciation, integrity
Transdisciplinary Skills	thinking, communication

Second Trimester, Fifth Grade
Oct. 30-Dec. 20

Theme	Where We Are in Place and Time
Title	When Does a Chore Become a Job?
Central Idea	Child labor has been a sustained practice throughout history and across the globe.
Key Concepts	perspective, change, connection, responsibility
Related Concepts	Impact, interpretation, structure
Inquiry Into	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Defining child labor 2. Perspectives on child labor 3. Policies developed to protect children
Learner Profile	open minded, communicator, caring
Attitudes	appreciation, respect, empathy, integrity
Transdisciplinary Skills	thinking, communicating

Jan. 8-March 9

Theme	How the World Works
Title	Exhibition
Key Concepts	These elements will be determined by the fifth graders, as part of the Exhibition process.
Related Concepts	
Central Idea	
Inquiry Into	
Learner Profile	
Attitudes	
Transdisciplinary Skills	

**Third Trimester, Fifth Grade
March 12-April 27**

Theme	How We Organize Ourselves
Title	Lead the Way
Key Concepts	form, responsibility, reflection
Related Concepts	structure, citizenship, interpretation
Central Idea	An individual embraces the responsibilities of citizenship and leadership in order to create change.
Inquiry Into	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Defining public policy 2. Responsibilities of citizenship 3. Process for change 4. Qualities of a leader
Learner Profile	inquirer, risk-taker
Attitudes	confidence, commitment, empathy
Transdisciplinary Skills	research, thinking, social

April 30-June 8

Theme	Sharing the Planet
Title	The Choices We Make
Key Concepts	responsibility, causation, form, connection
Related Concepts	impact, opinion, initiative
Central Idea	Choices we make affect our global community
Inquiry Into	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Issues related to renewable and nonrenewable resources 2. Impact of our choices on the environment 3. Environmentally responsible citizenship
Learner Profile	inquirer, communicator
Attitudes	cooperation, empathy
Transdisciplinary Skills	self-management, research, communication