



A cornerstone is the rock upon which the weight of the entire structure rests. Scripture describes Jesus as the chief Cornerstone, the One who ensures the stability of the whole system of our salvation.

“Therefore this says the Lord God: ‘Behold, I lay in Zion a stone for a foundation, a tried stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation.’”

— Isaiah 28:16

In the same way, the Cornerstone Program at Apex lays the foundation for both faith and learning. Meeting weekly for 12 weeks in the fall and 12 weeks in the spring, young learners begin their climb into knowledge, anchored in Christ, by exploring Bible, History, Science, English, Geography, Math, Art, Music, and Public Speaking.

Our curriculum runs on a three-year rotation known as the Peaks. Each Peak stands alone as its own course of study, giving families the flexibility to join at any time while ensuring that, over the course of three years, students will experience a rich and connected sweep of God’s world.

Peak 1

- Bible: Old Testament
- History: World History I — Mesopotamia through the Hundred Years’ War and the Black Death
- Geography: Africa & Europe
- Science: Biology
- English: Grammar rules and lists to prepare for advanced study
- Art: Drawing 101 and artist studies from World History I
- Music: Music theory & history, composers and styles from World History I

Peak 2

- Bible: New Testament
- History: World History II — Renaissance through the Global Pandemic
- Geography: Asia, South America, Oceania, Australia, and Island Nations
- Science: Earth, Space, and Physical Science
- English: Grammar rules and foundations for advanced study
- Art: Drawing 201 and artist studies from World History II
- Music: Music theory & history, composers and styles from World History II

Peak 3

- Bible: Various Scripture studies and application
- History: American History — Colonization through Modern America
- Geography: United States & Canada
- Science: Anatomy & Chemistry
- English: Advanced grammar rules and preparation for higher-level writing
- Art: Drawing 301 and artist studies from American History
- Music: Music theory & history, composers and styles from American History

Each week, students are introduced to “anchor pegs” — memory points in Bible, History, Science, English, Geography, and Math. These anchors act like firm holds in the climb, giving students confidence and direction as they progress.

To support families, Apex provides Google Drive folders with resources tied to each anchor peg. Parents can “pick and choose” what to use, making at-home learning as simple or as enriched as they’d like.

The Cornerstone years establish the footing students need before moving into Catalyst (6th–8th grade) and Pinnacle (9th–12th grade). While each Peak is independent, all of them share the same goal: helping students climb the peaks of knowledge, anchored in faith.