

## Trinity Christian School Philosophy of Grammar Education

Students in kindergarten through the second grade will learn about capitalization and punctuation, word usage, prefixes and suffixes as well as constructing simple sentences. Learning the rules of spelling will also be emphasized. This will be done in conjunction with the reading program rather than an additional grammar curriculum.

Third through fifth grade students will begin a deeper study of English grammar. We believe that students who understand the grammar of the English language will be better writers, will comprehend material read more completely and will be better communicators. Third through fifth grade students at Trinity Christian School will receive grammar instruction through the use of the *Shurley Method Grammar* program. This program not only helps to familiarize the student with the English grammar, but begins teaching a basic understanding of writing. In the sixth grade students continue to practice grammar while working to become better writers.