



SCOPE & SEQUENCE

Academic Standards & Seven Pillars Enrichment
Preschool Through Grade 12

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*FOUNDATION: ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
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LENS: BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW*

*"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart,
as working for the Lord, not for human masters."*

— Colossians 3:23 (ESV)

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Academic Excellence as Foundation

Full Life Institute’s curriculum is built on a foundation of academic excellence. This Scope and Sequence document outlines the academic standards students will master at each grade level, with the Seven Pillars providing enrichment and real-world application.

The structure follows a clear hierarchy: academic standards form the foundation, the Seven Pillars provide enrichment, and a biblical worldview serves as the lens through which all learning is viewed.

Academic Foundation

Domain	Standards & Expectations
Language Arts	Reading, writing, speaking, listening, research skills across all grade levels
Mathematics	Number sense, operations, geometry, measurement, data analysis, algebra readiness
Science	Life science, physical science, earth science, scientific method, STEM exploration
Social Studies	History, geography, civics, economics, culture, current events
Bible/Theology	Scripture study, biblical history, Christian worldview, apologetics
Physical Education	Motor skills, fitness, sports, health, nutrition, body stewardship
Fine Arts	Visual art, music, drama, creative expression, art appreciation

Seven Pillars Enrichment

Pillar	Enrichment Activities
Theology	Biblical worldview integration in all subjects; Scripture connections; faith application
Business	Entrepreneurship projects; work ethic in assignments; economics applications
Leadership	Group projects; class responsibilities; servant leadership opportunities
Relationships	Collaborative learning; communication skills; conflict resolution
Finances	Math applications; stewardship lessons; budgeting projects
Health & Fitness	PE curriculum; nutrition in science; body stewardship
Life Skills	Study habits; organization; time management; practical applications

PRESCHOOL DIVISION

Ages 18 months through Pre-K (4 years). Preschool instruction focuses on developmentally appropriate academic readiness skills. Play-based learning builds foundations for formal academics while the Seven Pillars introduce character concepts through daily routines.

18-24 MONTHS: Discovering My World

Daily Session: 45-60 minutes | Units: 18 two-week units | Assessment: Observation-based

PRIMARY FOCUS: Developmental milestones and pre-academic foundations

Academic Readiness Standards

Domain	Standards & Expectations
Language/Literacy	Vocabulary building (50+ words); follows simple directions; points to pictures; responds to name; babbling to 2-word phrases
Math Concepts	Identifies 3-4 colors; stacks 2-4 blocks; simple sorting; big/little; one/many awareness
Science/Discovery	Explores with 5 senses; cause-effect awareness; nature observation; body part identification (5+)
Social Development	Recognizes family members; parallel play; responds to emotions; gentle touch; takes turns with help
Bible/Faith	Hears "God made me"; "God loves me"; recognizes Bible as special book; simple thank-you prayers
Motor Skills	Walking; beginning running; stacking; scribbling; clapping; jumping attempts; self-feeding attempts
Creative Expression	Responds to music; simple movements; finger plays; sensory exploration; first art experiences

Seven Pillars Enrichment

Pillar	Enrichment Activities
Theology	Hearing "God made me/loves me"; simple prayers; Bible story time; worship songs
Relationships	Gentle touch practice; sharing with help; greeting others; family recognition
Health & Fitness	Body part identification; movement activities; healthy snack experiences; rest time
Life Skills	Clean-up songs; following routines; putting toys away; self-help attempts

Year-at-a-Glance: Thematic Units

#	Theme	Wks	Academic Focus	Pillar Enrichment
1	All About Me	2	Body parts; self-recognition; name response	Theology: God made me

2	My Family	2	Family vocabulary; social bonds; emotions	Relationships: Family love
3	Colors Everywhere	2	Color recognition (red, blue, yellow); sorting	Life Skills: Organizing
4	Shapes	2	Circle, square recognition; matching	Life Skills: Patterns
5	Numbers	2	Counting 1-3; number recognition; quantity	Life Skills: Counting
6	Animals	2	Animal sounds; movement; vocabulary building	Theology: God made animals
7	Things That Go	2	Vehicle recognition; sounds; movement	Life Skills: Transportation
8	Food & Eating	2	Food vocabulary; healthy choices; self-feeding	Health: Nutrition basics
9	Helpers	2	Community helpers; occupations; service	Leadership: Helping others
10	My Five Senses	2	Sensory exploration; body awareness	Health: Body discovery
11	Weather	2	Weather vocabulary; nature observation	Life Skills: Appropriate dress
12	Christmas	2	Jesus' birth; celebration; giving	Theology: Jesus came for us
13	Music & Movement	2	Rhythm; movement; coordination	Health: Active bodies
14	Water	2	Water properties; safety; vocabulary	Life Skills: Safety awareness
15	Growing Things	2	Plants; growth concepts; nature	Theology: God grows things
16	Big & Little	2	Size comparison; vocabulary; sorting	Life Skills: Comparison
17	Easter & Spring	2	New life; celebration; Jesus loves me	Theology: Jesus' love
18	Summer Fun	2	Review; celebration; outdoor exploration	All Pillars: Year celebration

2 YEARS: Exploring God's Creation

Daily Session: 60-75 minutes | Units: 18 two-week units | Assessment: Observation & checklists

PRIMARY FOCUS: Expanding language, early literacy, and number awareness

Academic Readiness Standards

Domain	Standards & Expectations
Language/Literacy	200+ word vocabulary; 2-3 word sentences; follows 2-step directions; identifies pictures; enjoys stories; beginning rhyme awareness
Math Concepts	Counts to 5 by rote; identifies 6+ colors; all basic shapes; size sorting; simple patterns (AB)
Science/Discovery	Creation awareness (7 days); animal categories; plant parts (basic); weather observation; 5 senses exploration
Social Development	Shares with prompting; expresses emotions; plays alongside peers; follows classroom rules; shows empathy
Bible/Faith	"God made the world"; creation story; simple Bible stories; prayer participation; worship participation
Motor Skills	Runs, jumps, climbs; stacks 6+ blocks; holds crayon/marker; beginning scissors; kicks ball
Creative Expression	Purposeful scribbling; painting; play dough; simple songs; fingerplays; dramatic play begins

Seven Pillars Enrichment

Pillar	Enrichment Activities
Theology	Creation story sequence; Jesus loves me; thank you prayers; church vocabulary
Relationships	Sharing practice; using kind words; friendship beginnings; family roles
Health & Fitness	Body as special; healthy food choices; active play; rest importance
Life Skills	Cleanup routines; putting on coat; washing hands; following schedule
Leadership	Being a helper; taking turns first; classroom jobs introduction

Year-at-a-Glance: Thematic Units

#	Theme	Wks	Academic Focus	Pillar Enrichment
1	God Made Me Special	2	Self-concept; body parts review; uniqueness	Theology: Psalm 139
2	My Family & Friends	2	Family vocabulary; friendship skills; roles	Relationships: Love at home
3	Creation Days 1-3	2	Light/dark; sky; land/water; sequence	Theology: God creates
4	Creation Days 4-7	2	Sun/moon/stars;	Theology: God's design

			animals; people; rest	
5	Farm Animals	2	Animal vocabulary; sounds; products; care	Life Skills: Animal care
6	Zoo Animals	2	Wild animals; habitats; sizes; classification	Theology: God's creativity
7	Healthy Bodies	2	Nutrition; exercise; sleep; hygiene	Health: Body stewardship
8	Community Helpers	2	Occupations; service; vocabulary	Leadership: Helping others
9	Transportation	2	Vehicles; travel; safety; sorting	Life Skills: Getting places
10	Christmas Joy	2	Nativity; celebration; giving; Jesus' birth	Theology: Emmanuel
11	Winter Wonders	2	Seasons; weather; clothing; changes	Life Skills: Preparation
12	Shapes & Colors	2	All shapes; color mixing; patterns; sorting	Life Skills: Organization
13	Under the Sea	2	Ocean life; water; vocabulary; habitats	Theology: God made oceans
14	Growing Gardens	2	Plants; growth; care; seasons	Life Skills: Responsibility
15	Bugs & Insects	2	Insects; life cycles; observation; counting	Theology: Small creatures
16	Easter Celebration	2	Jesus loves me; spring; new life	Theology: Jesus' love
17	Space & Sky	2	Sun, moon, stars; day/night; counting	Theology: God's bigness
18	Summer Adventures	2	Review; outdoor fun; celebration	All Pillars: Growth review

3 YEARS: Growing & Learning

Daily Session: 90 minutes | Units: 18 two-week units | Assessment: Observation, checklists, portfolios

PRIMARY FOCUS: Pre-reading skills, number concepts, and early writing

Academic Readiness Standards

Domain	Standards & Expectations
Language/Literacy	Speaks in sentences (4-5 words); 1000+ word vocabulary; letter awareness (some); rhyming; retells stories; book handling; name recognition
Math Concepts	Counts to 10; one-to-one correspondence begins; shapes (6+); patterns (ABC); comparisons (more/less); simple addition concepts
Science/Discovery	Simple experiments; prediction; living vs. nonliving; weather patterns; plant life cycle; animal characteristics
Social Development	Cooperative play; conflict resolution with help; follows multi-step rules; shows empathy; understands others' feelings
Bible/Faith	Major Bible stories; prayer habits; Scripture memory (short verses); Christian holidays; Jesus as friend and Savior
Motor Skills	Hops, gallops; catches ball; cuts with scissors; draws shapes; writes some letters; buttons/zippers
Creative Expression	Detailed drawings; songs with words; dramatic play scenarios; rhythm instruments; art projects

Seven Pillars Enrichment

Pillar	Enrichment Activities
Theology	Bible story sequence; memory verses; prayer types; worship participation; Christian character introduction
Relationships	Friendship skills; using words for feelings; sharing fairly; kindness challenges; family appreciation
Health & Fitness	Food groups; exercise importance; hygiene routines; body care; safety rules
Life Skills	Classroom jobs; self-help skills; organization; following directions; problem-solving
Leadership	Being a helper; encouraging others; taking initiative; classroom responsibilities
Finances	Needs vs. wants introduction; saving concept; being thankful; sharing/giving

Year-at-a-Glance: Thematic Units

#	Theme	Wks	Academic Focus	Pillar Enrichment
1	God Made Me Special	2	Self-concept; body parts review; uniqueness	Theology: Psalm 139
2	My Family & Friends	2	Family vocabulary;	Relationships: Love at

			friendship skills; roles	home
3	Creation Days 1-3	2	Light/dark; sky; land/water; sequence	Theology: God creates
4	Creation Days 4-7	2	Sun/moon/stars; animals; people; rest	Theology: God's design
5	Farm Animals	2	Animal vocabulary; sounds; products; care	Life Skills: Animal care
6	Zoo Animals	2	Wild animals; habitats; sizes; classification	Theology: God's creativity
7	Healthy Bodies	2	Nutrition; exercise; sleep; hygiene	Health: Body stewardship
8	Community Helpers	2	Occupations; service; vocabulary	Leadership: Helping others
9	Transportation	2	Vehicles; travel; safety; sorting	Life Skills: Getting places
10	Christmas Joy	2	Nativity; celebration; giving; Jesus' birth	Theology: Emmanuel
11	Winter Wonders	2	Seasons; weather; clothing; changes	Life Skills: Preparation
12	Shapes & Colors	2	All shapes; color mixing; patterns; sorting	Life Skills: Organization
13	Under the Sea	2	Ocean life; water; vocabulary; habitats	Theology: God made oceans
14	Growing Gardens	2	Plants; growth; care; seasons	Life Skills: Responsibility
15	Bugs & Insects	2	Insects; life cycles; observation; counting	Theology: Small creatures
16	Easter Celebration	2	Jesus loves me; spring; new life	Theology: Jesus' love
17	Space & Sky	2	Sun, moon, stars; day/night; counting	Theology: God's bigness
18	Summer Adventures	2	Review; outdoor fun; celebration	All Pillars: Growth review

PRE-K (4 YEARS): Ready for School

Daily Session: 2-3 hours | Units: 15 units (2-3 weeks each) | Assessment: Standards-based + portfolios

PRIMARY FOCUS: Kindergarten readiness in all academic areas

Academic Readiness Standards

Domain	Standards & Expectations
Language/Literacy	All letter names & most sounds; rhyming mastery; blending onset-rime; writes name; retells with sequence; 2000+ vocabulary; pre-reading skills
Math Concepts	Counts to 20+; writes numbers 0-10; one-to-one correspondence; addition/subtraction concepts; patterns (ABCD); graphing; measurement comparison
Science/Discovery	Scientific method basics; hypothesis; observation/recording; life cycles; habitats; matter states; simple machines
Social Development	Cooperative learning; conflict resolution; perspective-taking; classroom citizenship; cultural awareness; community understanding
Bible/Faith	Old & New Testament overview; salvation understanding; memory verses (10+); prayer independence; worldview foundations; character connection
Motor Skills	Pencil grip mastery; letter formation; scissor skills; ball skills; balance; coordination; fine motor precision
Creative Expression	Detailed representational art; music reading basics; drama participation; creative writing attempts; art appreciation

Seven Pillars Enrichment

Pillar	Enrichment Activities
Theology	Bible timeline; character studies; apologetics introduction; missions awareness; personal faith development
Business	Classroom economy introduction; jobs and pay; simple entrepreneurship; work ethic praise
Leadership	Classroom leadership roles; peer helpers; initiative recognition; problem-solving leadership
Relationships	Conflict resolution skills; friendship maintenance; communication skills; empathy development
Finances	Saving for goals; spending choices; giving/tithing introduction; needs vs. wants mastery
Health & Fitness	Personal health habits; fitness goals; nutrition knowledge; body stewardship understanding
Life Skills	Time awareness; organization systems; responsibility charts; independence skills

Year-at-a-Glance: Thematic Units

#	Theme	Wks	Academic Focus	Pillar Enrichment
1	Who God Made Me to Be	2	Self-concept deep dive; full name writing; personal info; emotional vocabulary expansion	Theology: Imago Dei
2	My Family, My Community	2	Family roles & responsibilities; address awareness; community vocabulary; conflict resolution	Relationships: Family as foundation
3	Letters & Sounds A–F	3	Letter recognition, formation & beginning sounds; phonemic awareness; rhyming; name writing	Life Skills: Organization
4	Letters & Sounds G–M	3	Letter recognition & sounds continued; CVC awareness; sight words (l, a, the)	Life Skills: Following directions
5	Numbers 1–10	2	Counting with 1:1 correspondence; number writing 0-5; more/less/equal; addition concepts	Finances: Counting & stewardship
6	God’s Creation Deep Dive	2	Scientific method (observe, predict, test); living vs. nonliving; creation days review; nature journaling	Theology: God the Designer
7	Healthy Bodies & Minds	2	Food groups; hygiene; exercise; emotional regulation; safety rules; body systems	Health & Fitness: Temple stewardship
8	Community Helpers & Careers	2	Occupations deep dive; service; tools & uniforms; interview skills; future careers	Leadership: Servant leadership
9	Letters & Sounds N–T	3	Letters continued; blending onset-rime; writing letters; sight words (is, it, in, my)	Life Skills: Persistence
10	Christmas: The Promise Keeper	2	Nativity (OT prophecy → fulfillment); Advent sequence; giving & generosity; retelling	Theology: God keeps promises
11	Numbers 11–20 & Patterns	2	Counting to 20; number writing 6-10; patterns (AB, ABC, ABCD); graphing; measurement	Finances: Needs vs. wants

12	Letters & Sounds U–Z	3	All 26 letters complete; blending; sight words (to, and, we, he, she); pre-reading; name mastery	Life Skills: Independence
13	Animals, Habitats & Life Cycles	2	Animal classification; habitats; life cycles (frog, butterfly); animal care	Theology: God’s creativity & order
14	Easter: The Greatest Story	2	Full Easter narrative; OT connections (Passover); salvation vocabulary; retelling with sequence	Theology: Salvation through Jesus
15	Kindergarten Ready! (Celebration)	2	Full year review; reading/math/social readiness; skills demonstration; graduation ceremony	All Pillars: Growth celebration

Total instructional weeks: 34 (fits standard academic calendar with breaks). Letter instruction units (3, 4, 9, 12) are 3 weeks each to provide adequate time for 6-8 letters per block. All other units are 2 weeks.

ELEMENTARY DIVISION

Kindergarten through Grade 5. Elementary instruction emphasizes mastery of foundational academic skills in reading, writing, and mathematics. The Seven Pillars are integrated throughout subjects, providing character development and real-world application.

KINDERGARTEN: Building Foundations

Daily Schedule: Full day (6 hours) | Units: 12 three-week units | Assessment: Standards-based report cards + portfolios

Academic Standards by Quarter

Subject	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Language Arts	Letter names/sounds A-M; rhyming; print concepts	Letters N-Z; CVC blending; sight words (25)	Decoding CVC; simple sentences; comprehension	Reading Level A-C; writing sentences; fluency
Mathematics	Numbers 0-10; counting; shapes	Numbers 11-20; addition intro; patterns	Addition/subtraction within 5; measurement	Add/subtract within 10; word problems; data
Science	5 senses; living things; observation skills	Weather; seasons; recording data	Plants; animals; habitats	Earth; matter; simple experiments
Social Studies	Rules; family; community	Helpers; citizenship; maps intro	History; holidays; traditions	Geography; cultures; economics intro
Bible	Creation; God's love; prayer	Old Testament stories; memory verses	Jesus' life; New Testament	Church; salvation; application

Year-at-a-Glance: Thematic Units

#	Theme	Wks	Academic Focus	Pillar Enrichment
1	Welcome to School!	3	Classroom rules; letter names A-D; numbers 0-5; community building	Life Skills: Routines & responsibility
2	God's Amazing Creation	3	Letters E-H; counting to 10; 5 senses; living things; creation narrative	Theology: Creator God
3	All About Families	3	Letters I-M; number writing 1-5; family roles; community helpers	Relationships: Honoring family
4	Seasons & Weather	3	Letters N-Q; patterns; weather recording; seasons cycle	Life Skills: Preparation & observation
5	Christmas: God's Gift	3	Letters R-T; addition intro; Nativity; giving & generosity	Theology: Emmanuel
6	Animals & Habitats	3	Letters U-X; subtraction intro; animal classification; habitats	Theology: God's design

7	Plants & Growth	3	Letters Y-Z review; measurement; plant life cycle; gardens	Health & Fitness: Nutrition from creation
8	Our Community	3	CVC blending; addition within 5; citizenship; maps; helpers	Leadership: Serving others
9	Stories of the Bible	3	Sight words; reading Level A; OT & NT stories; character	Theology: God's faithfulness
10	Easter: He Is Risen!	3	Reading comprehension; subtraction within 5; Easter narrative	Theology: Salvation & new life
11	Earth & Sky	3	Simple sentences; add/sub within 10; earth science; space	Theology: God's bigness
12	Ready for First Grade!	3	Reading Level A-C; writing sentences; math review; skills celebration	All Pillars: Growth & graduation

GRADES 1-5: Academic Progression Summary

Grade	Academic Focus	Reading Level	Math Mastery	Pillar Emphasis
Grade 1	Learning to read; phonics mastery; writing sentences; addition/subtraction facts	Levels D-J	Add/Sub within 20	Theology: OT heroes & faith; Life Skills: Following directions; Relationships: Classroom friendships
Grade 2	Reading fluency; paragraph writing; place value; measurement	Levels K-M	Add/Sub within 100	Theology: NT stories & Jesus; Relationships: Community building; Health & Fitness: Personal hygiene
Grade 3	Reading to learn; multi-paragraph writing; multiplication/division; research skills	Levels N-P	Mult/Div facts	Theology: Character studies; Leadership: Group projects; Life Skills: Research & organization
Grade 4	Comprehension strategies; essay writing; fractions; state history	Levels Q-S	Fractions/Decimals	Finances: First budget project; Business: First entrepreneur project; Leadership: Personal responsibility
Grade 5	Literary analysis; research papers; pre-algebra; US history; middle school prep	Levels T-V	Operations mastery	Leadership: Student-led presentations; Business: Value creation; All Pillars: Middle school readiness

Grades 1-5 use 3-4 week units, 9-10 units per year. Detailed unit-at-a-glance tables for each grade will be developed as curriculum reaches each level.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DIVISION

Grades 6-8. Middle school transitions from learning skills to applying knowledge. Academic rigor increases with departmentalized instruction. The Seven Pillars help students navigate adolescence while developing their identity in Christ.

Grade	Academic Focus	Pillar Emphasis
Grade 6	Literary analysis; pre-algebra; earth science; ancient civilizations; study skills	Life Skills: Organization, study habits; Relationships: Peer navigation
Grade 7	Genre studies; algebra foundations; life science; world geography; research skills	Leadership: Identity in Christ; Theology: Apologetics basics
Grade 8	American literature; algebra I; physical science; US history; high school prep	Business: Career exploration; Finances: Budgeting; All pillars integration

Middle school uses 4-week units, 9 units per year. Detailed unit-at-a-glance tables for each grade will be developed as curriculum reaches each level.

HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION

Grades 9-12. High school provides college-preparatory academics with full Seven Pillars integration. Students develop a comprehensive biblical worldview while preparing for higher education, career, and adult life.

Grade	Core Academics	Pillar Courses & Integration
Grade 9	English I; Geometry/Algebra II; Biology; World History; Bible Survey	Personal Finance; Health & Fitness; Study Skills
Grade 10	English II; Algebra II/Pre-Calc; Chemistry; US History; Theology	Relationships/Communication; Leadership Foundations
Grade 11	American Lit; Pre-Calc/Calculus; Physics; Government/Econ; Apologetics	Business/Entrepreneurship; College & Career Prep
Grade 12	British Lit/AP; Calculus/Statistics; Science elective; Civics; Worldview Capstone	Senior Capstone Project (all 7 pillars); Life Skills for Adults

Graduation Requirements

Academic Credits (20 minimum): English: 4 credits • Mathematics: 4 credits (through Algebra II minimum) • Science: 3 credits (including Biology and Chemistry) • Social Studies: 3 credits (including US History and Government) • Bible/Theology: 4 credits • Fine Arts: 1 credit • Physical Education: 1 credit

Seven Pillars Requirements: Personal Finance course completion • Leadership/Service hours (40 minimum) • Senior Capstone Project • Health & Fitness portfolio

High school uses 4-6 week units, 6-8 units per year. Detailed unit-at-a-glance tables for each grade will be developed as curriculum reaches each level.

TECHNOLOGY & AI READINESS

FLI takes a hybrid approach to technology and AI education: integrated throughout all grade levels via the Life Skills, Business, and Science pillars, with standalone elective courses available starting in Grade 6. Every student develops digital literacy and AI awareness as part of core education; families seeking deeper preparation can access dedicated elective coursework.

Integrated Progression (All Students, All Grades)

Technology and AI concepts are woven into daily instruction through existing pillar activities. No additional course time is required — these skills are taught naturally within academic subjects and pillar enrichment.

Grade Band	Integrated Tech/AI Skills	Where It Appears
Pre-K	Zero/minimal screens; concept that people make tools; simple cause-effect	Life Skills moments; Science/Discovery activities
K–Gr 2	Basic computer navigation; internet safety; educational apps; typing intro; screen time stewardship	Life Skills pillar; Science lessons; Parent Coaching scripts
Gr 3–5	Typing proficiency; digital research; digital citizenship; basic coding (Scratch); evaluating online info	Life Skills; Science/STEM projects; Business pillar; Research
Gr 6–8	AI awareness; ethical tech use; social media wisdom; coding fundamentals; digital content creation; discerning AI content	Life Skills; Business pillar; Science labs; Research; All subjects
Gr 9–12	AI tools as productivity aids; data literacy; technology ethics; digital entrepreneurship; evaluating AI outputs; workforce impact	Business courses; Life Skills courses; Science electives; Capstone

Standalone Elective Courses (Available Grades 6–12)

These elective courses provide deeper technology and AI instruction. Not required for graduation but recommended for students interested in technology, business, or STEM careers.

Course	Grades	Duration	Description
Digital Citizenship & Online Safety	6–7	1 semester	Social media wisdom, online safety, digital reputation, cyberbullying prevention, screen stewardship, biblical perspective
Introduction to Coding	6–8	1 semester	Block-based and intro text coding (Scratch, Python basics); computational thinking; simple apps and games
AI Foundations & Ethics	7–9	1 semester	How AI works; AI in everyday life; ethical considerations; biblical worldview on technology; evaluating AI content

Digital Media & Content Creation	8–10	1 semester	Video, graphic design, podcasting, blogging; digital storytelling; responsible creation; media literacy
Advanced Coding & App Development	9–12	1 year	Python, JavaScript, web development; app design; software engineering; coding for ministry and business
AI Tools & Digital Entrepreneurship	10–12	1 semester	Leveraging AI for productivity; digital business models; e-commerce; ethics of AI in business; future of work
Technology & Worldview Capstone	11–12	1 semester	Theological analysis of emerging tech; transhumanism; AI governance; Christian responsibility; research paper

Skills That Transcend Technology

While technology evolves rapidly, these skills remain essential and are emphasized throughout FLI’s curriculum at every grade level — they are what AI cannot replicate:

Skill	Description	FLI Pillar Connection
Critical Thinking	Analyzing information, identifying bias, evaluating sources	Theology; Life Skills
Creative Problem-Solving	Innovation, design thinking, entrepreneurial mindset	Business; Leadership
Communication	Written, verbal, visual, and digital excellence	Relationships; Leadership
Collaboration	Teamwork, conflict resolution, diverse perspectives	Relationships; Leadership
Character & Integrity	Honesty, perseverance, responsibility, moral courage	Theology; All Pillars
Spiritual Discernment	Evaluating ideas through biblical worldview; wisdom beyond information	Theology (unique to FLI)
Adaptability	Learning how to learn; embracing change; resilience	Life Skills; Leadership

Biblical Anchor: "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord." (Colossians 3:23, ESV) — Technology is a tool to be stewarded wisely. FLI teaches students to use technology as a means of serving God and others, not as an end in itself. The goal is technological WISDOM: knowing when to use a tool, when not to, and how to honor God in all digital interactions.

SEVEN PILLARS ELECTIVE COURSES

In addition to the Technology & AI electives described in the previous section, FLI offers elective courses in four pillar areas: Business, Finances, Leadership, and Nutrition & Wellness. These electives deepen the pillar integration that runs through all core instruction. Combined with the Tech/AI electives, FLI offers a total of 27 elective courses across 5 categories — a comprehensive menu that no competitor matches.

All pillar electives are optional and do not replace core academic courses. They are designed for families who want deeper instruction in specific pillar areas. Some electives fulfill graduation pillar requirements (Personal Finance, Leadership service hours).

Business Electives (Proverbs 31:16)

Developing entrepreneurial thinking, problem-solving, and understanding how business creates value and serves others. Available Grades 6–12.

Course	Grades	Duration	Description
Young Entrepreneurs	6–8	1 semester	Identifying problems worth solving; brainstorming solutions; creating simple products/services; lemonade stand to real business; biblical work ethic (Colossians 3:23)
Business Foundations	8–10	1 semester	How businesses work: revenue, expenses, profit; supply and demand; customer service; marketing basics; business ethics; Proverbs 31 woman as entrepreneur
Entrepreneurship & Innovation	9–12	1 year	Business plan development; market research; product design; pitching to investors; launching a real micro-business; biblical stewardship of opportunity
Marketing & Communication	10–12	1 semester	Brand building; social media marketing (ethical); persuasive communication; storytelling; customer relationships; using influence for kingdom impact
Business Capstone: Launch Project	11–12	1 semester	Design, launch, and operate a real business or nonprofit; financial reporting; lessons learned; presentation to panel; integrating all 7 pillars into venture

Finance Electives (Proverbs 22:7)

Building biblical stewardship principles and practical financial literacy. Personal Finance Foundations fulfills the graduation pillar requirement. Available Grades 6–12.

Course	Grades	Duration	Description
Money Matters: Earning, Saving & Giving	6–8	1 semester	Biblical stewardship foundations; earning through chores/small jobs; saving goals; tithing and generosity; needs vs. wants mastery; Proverbs 22:7
Personal Finance Foundations	8–10	1 semester	Budgeting systems; bank accounts; compound interest; debt dangers; credit basics; insurance concepts; generous giving as lifestyle; financial goal setting
Investing & Wealth Building	9–12	1 semester	Stock market basics; mutual funds; retirement accounts; real estate concepts; compound growth; risk vs. reward; biblical principles of multiplication (Parable of Talents)
Taxes, Insurance & Adult Finance	11–12	1 semester	Filing taxes; understanding W-2s and 1099s; health/auto/life insurance; renting vs. buying; major purchase decisions; financial planning for college and career
Biblical Economics	10–12	1 semester	Economic systems through a biblical lens; free market principles; poverty and justice; global economics; stewardship of national resources; economics of generosity

Leadership Electives (Matthew 20:26)

Cultivating servant leadership, communication, and the courage to lead with integrity. Leadership in Action includes the 40-hour service requirement for graduation. Available Grades 6–12.

Course	Grades	Duration	Description
Student Leadership Lab	6–8	1 semester	Servant leadership principles (Matthew 20:26); leading by example; communication skills; organizing group activities; conflict mediation basics; finding your leadership voice
Public Speaking & Presentation	7–9	1 semester	Overcoming fear; speech structure; storytelling; persuasive speaking; debate introduction; presenting with confidence; speaking truth

			with grace
Leadership in Action	9–11	1 year	Leadership styles (servant, transformational, situational); team building; vision casting; decision-making under pressure; leading through conflict; 40-hour service project
Apologetics & Worldview Defense	10–12	1 semester	Defending the faith with reason and grace; responding to common objections; worldview analysis; cultural engagement; speaking truth in the public square
Senior Leadership Practicum	12	1 semester	Mentoring younger students; leading a community project; organizational management; legacy planning; preparing to lead in college, career, and church

Nutrition & Wellness Electives (1 Corinthians 6:19)

Stewarding the body God gave through proper nutrition, fitness, and wellness planning. Practical life skills that prepare students for lifelong health. Available Grades 6–12.

Course	Grades	Duration	Description
Kitchen Foundations: Cooking for Life	6–8	1 semester	Basic cooking skills; kitchen safety; reading recipes; meal preparation; nutrition basics; food as fuel for God’s temple (1 Corinthians 6:19); cooking as service to family
Nutrition Science	8–10	1 semester	Macronutrients and micronutrients; reading food labels; meal planning for health; understanding dietary needs; food and mood connection; body stewardship through nutrition
Fitness & Wellness Planning	9–11	1 semester	Personal fitness assessment; designing workout plans; flexibility, strength, cardio balance; mental health and exercise; rest and recovery; stewarding the body for lifelong service
Advanced Nutrition & Meal Planning	10–12	1 semester	Sports nutrition; special dietary needs; budget-friendly healthy eating; meal prep for

			independence; feeding a family; nutrition for different life stages
Health & Wellness Capstone	11–12	1 semester	Personal health portfolio; fitness goals and tracking; stress management; mental health awareness; first aid/CPR certification prep; developing a lifelong wellness plan

Complete Elective Catalog Summary

Category	# of Courses	Grade Range	Scripture Anchor
Technology & AI	7 courses	Grades 6–12	Colossians 3:23
Business	5 courses	Grades 6–12	Proverbs 31:16
Finances	5 courses	Grades 6–12	Proverbs 22:7
Leadership	5 courses	Grades 6–12	Matthew 20:26
Nutrition & Wellness	5 courses	Grades 6–12	1 Corinthians 6:19
TOTAL	27 elective courses	Grades 6–12	All Seven Pillars represented

This elective catalog is a key FLI differentiator. No competing Christian homeschool curriculum offers structured, Scripture-anchored elective courses across entrepreneurship, personal finance, servant leadership, nutrition, AND technology/AI. Combined with FLI’s core academic program and integrated Seven Pillars enrichment, these electives ensure graduates are prepared not just for college but for LIFE.

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