




Pacific Union Conference
ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM SNAPSHOT
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	Art Curriculum	<p>The adoption of “Explorations in Art” by Davis Publications has been put on hold until the new edition becomes available. Implementation is TBD.</p>
	ByDesign Science Labs	<p>ByDesign Labs is a joint initiative of Loma Linda University EXSEED and the Adventist Learning Community to deliver interactive resources to teachers and expose students to the wonders of God’s creation through interactive experiences and immersive environments not typically available in the classroom. Science teacher representatives from each conference will give feedback to the ByDesign virtual lab developers. Check out the progress at: http://bydesignlabs.org.</p>
	Britannica E-STAX	<p>Britannica E-STAX is a school resource of non-fiction ebooks to complement the curriculum. The NAD has arranged for three levels of encyclopedia access: Britannica School, Britannica ImageQuest, and Britannica E-STAX. For access visit: http://tdec.nadeducation.org/tech_talk/britannica.</p>
	Encounter Bible Program	<p>The Elementary Encounter Bible Curriculum implementation timeline is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead Teacher Training – April 24-25, 2017 • Elementary Teacher Training – Spring 2018 • Curriculum Implementation – Fall 2018
	Engage	<p>Stay up-to-date on the latest NAD news with “Engage”! The NAD newsletter is provided each quarter to help you stay current with what is happening at the NAD and to provide you with resources and tips. Visit: http://www.engageae.com.</p>
	Math Standards Correlation and Resource	<p>A collection of documents put together “By Our Teachers 4 Our Teachers” in the Pacific Union, helps the teacher meet and assess Elementary Math Standards in the classroom. To learn more, watch the archived webinar and view downloadable documents at: http://paucedu.adventistfaith.org/elementary-math-standards-correlation.</p>
	Music Curriculum	<p>“Spotlight on Music” by McGraw-Hill Education is the newly adopted music curriculum. A pilot of the program is in progress and a multi-grade manual is being developed for grades 1-4 and 5-8. Implementation starts the 2017-2018 school year.</p> <p>A webinar is scheduled for March 14 featuring a program overview and will be followed by a webinar on April 11 featuring the newly developed multi-grade manual for music and new Fine Arts Standards. Onsite professional development will be provided at the NAD Teachers’ Convention in August 2018.</p>
	NAD Standards by Grade Level	<p>The Pacific Union Conference has compiled the NAD Standards by Grade Level for teachers to easily access the standards for all subjects at their grade level and as a resource to share with parents. Visit: https://paucedu.adventistfaith.org/elementary-standards-by-grade.</p>
	NAD Standards by Subject	<p>New Bible and Fine Arts Standards are now available! NAD Elementary Standards, including Language Arts, Mathematics, PE, Science, Social Studies and Technology are available at: http://adventisteducation.org/curriculum/elementary/standards.</p> <p>Hardcopies may be purchased through AdventSource: www.adventsource.org.</p>

	Pathways 2.0	<p>“Pathways 2.0” is the NextGeneration of Pathways and includes a new logo. Piloting of the first DLG of each grade level will take place Fall 2017. A list of new Pathways books is available at: https://paucedu.adventistfaith.org/uploaded_assets/518190.</p>
	Physical Education	<p>SPARK is the new PE program, which is already in grade bands of K-2, 3-6, and 6-8. Each band has 13 units to choose from. Implementation started the 2016-2017 school year.</p> <p>NAD has developed a multi-grade resource manual for grades 1-4 and 5-8. Available on the NAD PE website along with SPARK order information: http://pe.adventisteducation.org/curriculum.html.</p> <p>SPARK offers free professional development webinars twice a month! Visit: www.sparkpe.org/physical-education-resources/webinars.</p>
	Physical Genesis	<p>PhysicalGenesis has been streamlined dramatically for its third year. Teachers will still do fitness testing of their students as a part of their regular physical education curriculum, but there will be no survey for students or their parents. The calendar timeframe to do fitness testing for Spring 2017 is from March 1 through April 30. More information is available at: http://physicalgenesis.com.</p>
   	Professional Development	<p>Professional Development at your fingertips:</p> <p>Adventist Learning Community – Offers free online courses designed especially for SDA teachers. The courses are self-guided and provide Continuing Education Credits (CEU). Visit: www.adventistlearningcommunity.com.</p> <p>District Administration – Free webinars on a variety of topics. Geared for school leaders, yet some are relevant for teachers. Visit: www.districtadministration.com/webseminars.</p> <p>edWeb.net – Free webinars available on a wide range of forward-thinking topics like assessment, game-based learning, mobile learning, tech tools for the classroom, school gardens, digital citizenship, and much more. Visit: www.edweb.net/mobile-learning.</p> <p>PD In Focus – Award winning professional development through ASCD is provided by the Pacific Union Conference. Visit: http://pdinfoocus.ascd.org. Contact your Local Conference Office of Education for login and password information.</p> <p>Professional Growth Books – For continued learning, http://adventisteducation.org/professional_learning/professional_growth_books.</p> <p>TDEC – Professional development may be obtained by taking part in free live webinars or watching recorded webinars. Visit: http://tdec.nadeducation.org/webinars. Archived webinars may be accessed in the NAD Dashboard: https://dashboard.nadeducation.org/resources/Webinars.</p>
	Social Studies	<p>McGraw-Hill Networks is the new Social Studies curriculum. Implementation started the 2016-2017 school year. For Standards, Scope & Sequence, Product Overview, Tutorials, and Order Forms, visit the NAD Social Studies website: http://ss.adventisteducation.org.</p> <p>The newly revised SoSMART Manual for multi-grade classrooms, is available for download under the Resources tab: http://ss.adventisteducation.org/resources.html. Hardcopies may be purchased through AdventSource: www.adventsource.org.</p>