**Grace Christian School**

**GRAMMAR 9**

**Syllabus**

**GRADE:** 9 **DATE:** July 30, 2020

**OVERVIEW:** Students will improve their command of the English language in order to better communicate their thoughts and ideas. They will consider the design of language in the context of a Creator God, practice the grammatical conventions of contemporary English, and assemble a toolbox of strategies for writing and revising effectively. Journal entries and integration with English 9 assignments will provide extra practice.

**BASIC TEXT(S):** Writing and Grammar 9. Dana Gibby Gage, Denise L. Patton, Elizabeth Rose, Dawn L. Watkins: BJU Press, © 2006.

**MAJOR TOPICS AND SKILLS:**

FIRST QUARTER

1. God as Creator and Storyteller
2. Nouns
3. Pronouns
4. Verbs
5. Writing: The Writing Process
6. Writing: Writer, Purpose, Audience

SECOND QUARTER:

1. Principles of Godly Communication
2. Adjectives and Adverbs
3. Prepositions, Conjunctions, and Interjections
4. Sentences
5. Writing: Words (incl. Word Choice, Close Reading, Literary Analysis)

THIRD QUARTER:

1. Verbals
2. Clauses
3. Agreement
4. Writing: Structure (incl. Thesis Statements, Intro/Conclusion, Transitions)

FOURTH QUARTER:

1. Capitalization
2. Punctuation
3. Writing: Voice

*Journal Entry Revisions and Written Reflection*