

**Middle School
Core Curriculum – History, Literature and Math
2009-2010**

Core (Required) History Resources: all year

Oxford First Ancient History
Roy Burrell

The Usborne Encyclopedia of World Religions
ISBN 978079451059-6 (Internet linked)

Augustus Caesar's World
Genevieve Foster

Timelines (available for purchase @ SLOCA) – you are free to use SLOCA's timelines, or purchase your own wall or book format timeline, but timelines will be required.

Trimester 1

DATES: 3000 B.C. – 1000 B.C.

ERA: Dawn of Civilization

THEMES: Civilizations Begin on Rivers
Beginning of World Philosophy and Religions
Beginning of Trade and Trade Routes
Literary Traditions of Myth and Legends

Core (Required) History Resources: this and later trimesters

Pharaohs of Ancient Egypt
Elizabeth Payne

Famous Men of Greece
John Haaren

Old and New Testaments

Middle School Literature

Gilgamesh the Hero
Geraldine McCaughrean

The Golden Goblet
Eloise McGraw

Black Ships before Troy
Rosemary Sutcliff

Trimester 2

DATES: 999 B.C. – 200 B.C.

ERA: Classical Period

THEMES: Beginnings of Law and Government
Beginning of World Religions and Philosophy
Beginning of Trade and Trade Routes
Beginning of Scientific Method
Literary Traditions of Myth and Legends

Core (Required) History Resources: this and later trimesters

Famous Men of Rome

John Haaren

Archimedes and the Door of Science

Jeanne Bendick

Middle School Literature

The Wanderings of Odysseus

Rosemary Sutcliff

In Search of a Homeland

Rosemary Sutcliff

The Golden Fleece

Padraic Colum

Trimester 3

Dates: 199 B.C. – 476 A.D.

ERA: Age of Empires

THEMES: Beginnings of Law and Government
Beginning of World Religions and Philosophy
Beginning of Trade and Trade Routes
Literary Traditions of Myth and Legend

Core (Required) History Resources this trimester

Galen and the Gateway to Medicine
Jeanne Bendick

Middle School Literature

Julius Caesar
William Shakespeare
Oxford School of Shakespeare edition, edited by Roma Gill

The Bronze Bow
Elizabeth George Speare

Math – students will be assessed and placed in the Fall

Chalkdust Math Text & Solutions manual – required
(prices vary depending upon new or used condition – school will purchase at end of year depending upon condition as well.)