



Building Faith &
KNOWLEDGE
for Life!

Contact us to enroll your child
for the upcoming school year!

- ◆ K-3 – K-4 CDC
- ◆ Kindergarten – 5th Grade
- ◆ NEW Middle School
Beginning with 6th
Grade for 2010-2011

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Curriculum Information:

Writing & Composition



You want the best for your child.
Education ♦ Values ♦ Future

The foundation of a Catholic education can result in a lifetime of rewards.

At the **core** of this foundation are the fundamental **values** upheld at St. Joseph Catholic Church & School, which are:

- ◆ **Forming Faith**—Our students are expected to exemplify Christian values at school, at home, and in the community. Each day begins and ends with grateful recognition of our blessings.
- ◆ **Instilling Knowledge**—Your child receives guidance and a strong foundation in intellectual, spiritual, and social development.
- ◆ **Nurturing Family**—Our church and school welcomes all people of any denomination or religion and recognize parents to be the primary educators of their children. We believe in parent-teacher partnership.
- ◆ **Fostering Respect**—Regardless of their economic status, religious beliefs or special circumstances, all students are treated equally and with decency. All are encouraged to see Christ in others.
- ◆ **Inspiring Excellence**—We believe in full accountability to the highest standards and subscribe to each student being responsible for his/her own progress and achievements.

Today, our Writing & Composition curriculum has expanded its emphasis through the addition of modern technology and teaching techniques, which reinforce these important values that make it possible to achieve success in every endeavor.

We are dedicated to teaching more than just excellent academics—we want all students to reach their full potential in life...*and beyond.*

Curriculum Progression



◇ Kindergarten Curriculum

- Letter formation; Directionality
- Write first and last name
- Individual ideas expressed in writing
- Begin writing process

◇ First Grade Curriculum

- Creative and narrative writing
- Writing a letter
- Capitalization and punctuation
- Proofreading
- Poetry
- Daily Journal Writing
- Grammar - nouns, verbs, adjectives

◇ Second Grade

- Daily oral language writing
- Use the writing process for a variety of purposes
- Creative, descriptive, expository and narrative writing
- Writing across the curriculum
- Use correct grammar, capitalization, punctuation, and syntax
- Beginning research

◇ Third Grade

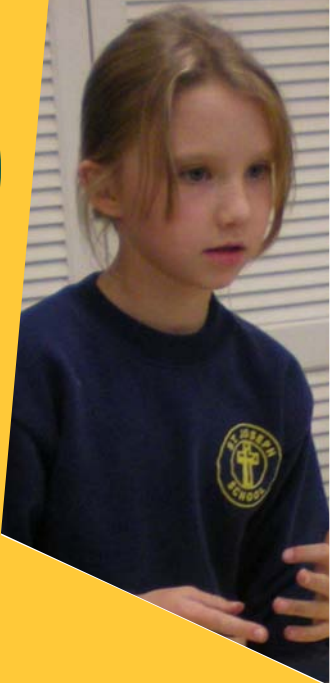
- Writing across the curriculum
- Journal Writing
- Able to write neatly and legibly
- Use the writing process for a variety of purposes
- Creative descriptive, persuasive and narrative writing
- Writing a letter
- Use correct grammar, capitalization and punctuation
- Transition from manuscript to cursive

◇ Fourth Grade

- Narrative and expository writing
- Persuasive writing
- Listening strategies
- Development of stories
- Penmanship

◇ Fifth Grade

- Writing process planning - rough draft to final product
- Continuous instruction and guided practice of handwriting, spelling, punctuation, capitalization, and sentence structure
- Narrative & Expository
- Creative
- Research Paper
- Writing Across the Curriculum
- Journal Writing



"Never be entirely idle; but either be reading, or writing, or praying or meditating or endeavoring something for the public good."

~ Thomas a Kempis,
Author

"Writing comes more easily if you have something to say."

~Sholem Asch,
Yiddish Novelist



A Catholic education is the perfect platform from which to launch your child's higher education ambition.

The best start for your child can be found at St. Joseph Catholic Church & School.

We invite you to learn more. *Our students do!*