



Catholic School Standards



Catholic schools seek, with God's grace, to form the total person in the image of Christ. This goal cannot be confined to the classroom but will only be achieved through the totality of the student's activities, experiences, lessons, and relationships. Accordingly, the school's resources must be directed to the fulfillment of the following standards.

Catholic Elementary Schools – Students are expected to...

1. know church teaching, practice Christian virtue, and participate in their parish faithfully; moreover, receive the sacraments, all of which were instituted by Christ and each of which has its own vital place in Christian living;
2. demonstrate a reverence for life and respect for self, family, authority, and all cultures;
3. have an informed conscience, distinguish right from wrong, and know how to make choices based on Catholic/Christian values;
4. be respectful and responsible, compassionate, and just toward others;
5. demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and desire to continue to learn successfully in middle school or high school;
6. be independent, responsible, and self-disciplined decision-makers who set priorities and boundaries, lead, and work on teams, make sacrifices to achieve goals, monitor progress, and apply creative and critical thinking skills;
7. have the reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills needed to communicate effectively;
8. read at or above grade level unless there is a handicapping disability;
9. master basic knowledge of religion, language arts, mathematics, geography, history, civics, science, and fine arts;
10. utilize appropriate technology to access and communicate information.