

Philosophy of Education
Immaculate Conception
Catholic School

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- **C**aring community
- **H**ome for the active mind
- **R**espectful, responsible citizens for a global society
- **I**ndividual love for life-long learning
- **S**trong value-based academic curriculum
- **T**rust in the Word of God

Enrichment

- Accelerated Reader
- Music
- Art
- Computer
- Foreign language
- Physical Education

We believe that the Immaculate Conception Education Community is here to know, love, and serve God.

We believe all children are made in the image and likeness of God, with unique gifts and needs that are to be celebrated.

We believe that education is an ongoing process with faith woven throughout a challenging academic curriculum. When based on Catholic Doctrine, we believe children become concerned, interactive members of the Catholic Church. Therefore, we believe that children should be empowered to proclaim the Gospel within our changing global society.

Catholic Schools
Teaching Minds, Reaching Hearts

**Immaculate Conception
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Curriculum Guide
Grade 2**

Second graders grow in faith as they prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist.



"Do this in memory of Me"
Luke 22:19

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Religion



Emphasizes:

- Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, and Holy Eucharist
- Sacramental preparation for Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist
- Sin hurts our relationship with God
- The Ten Commandments
- The Greatest Commandment— love God and love others
- The Mass as a celebration
- Liturgical Seasons
- Catholic Prayers

Mathematics



Emphasizes:

- Reading, writing, comparing, and ordering numbers to 1000
- Identifying place value through hundreds
- Problem solving techniques
- Addition, subtraction, and multiplication facts
- Adding and subtracting 1, 2, and 3—digit numbers with and without regrouping
- Adding and subtracting money amounts
- Reading, creating, and interpreting graphs and charts
- Telling time on analog and digital clocks
- Identifying fractional parts and writing fraction notation
- Identifying and creating patterns
- Sorting, creating and classifying open and closed figures
- Estimating and measuring using inches and centimeters
- Finding perimeter and area

Language Arts



Reading emphasizes:

- Enjoying reading and listening to reading
- Becoming an independent reader
- Exploring and using the various parts of books
- Using multiple strategies to decode words
- Developing vocabulary and fluency to improve comprehension in all subjects
- Applying what has been read and learned to other situations
- Recognizing the various genres of literature
- Drawing conclusions, making inferences, sequencing, summarizing, and predicting outcomes
- Identifying problems and solutions in stories and understanding cause and effect

Phonics emphasizes:

- Understanding that sounds in words are represented by letters of the alphabet
- Using letter-sound clues to recognize and decode words

Writing emphasizes:

- Identifying and constructing complete sentences using appropriate capitalization and punctuation and using nouns, verbs, and adjectives
- Writing paragraphs using topic sentences, details, and concluding sentences
- Developing proofreading and editing skills
- Publishing personal narratives, friendly letters, and how-to-posters
- Developing D'Nealian manuscript and cursive handwriting skills

Listening emphasizes:

- Using appropriate listening behavior,
- Recalling and following oral directions
- Recalling and identifying important details
- Ask good questions during a presentation

Spelling emphasizes:

- Learning to spell words that follow phonetic patterns and frequently used words
- Alphabetizing through the third letter
- Acquiring dictionary skills

Social Studies



Emphasizes:

- Studying and using map skills
- Identifying land forms
- Using time lines, picture, and graphs
- Exploring American history through the civil war period
- Exploring communities past and present and comparing them to other country's communities
- Applying citizenship skills to solve community problems
- Understanding why we work
- Distinguishing between needs and wants
- Exploring how goods are produced and sold
- Exploring how our government works
- Understanding that many services are paid with tax money
- Identify our country's major holidays and understanding why we celebrate them

Science



Emphasizes:

- Using scientific knowledge, asking questions, and making observations
- Identifying the 5 food groups and their health benefits
- Exploring how the human heart and lungs work
- Recognizing the benefits of exercise
- Comparing life long ago to living things today
- Exploring the earth long ago
- Studying food chains and the sun's energy
- Exploring heat and light energy
- Conserving earth's resources