

Immaculate Conception School promotes (a/an)

Caring community,

Home for the active mind,

Respectful, responsible citizens for a global society,

Individual love for life-long learning,

Strong value-based curriculum,

Trust in the Word of God.





#### Enrichment

Accelerated Reading
Foreign Language
Physical Education
Computer Skills
Art - Drama - Music

#### Middle School Teachers

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# Curriculum Guide Grade 7

Camp Tamarack
Academic Olympics
Varsity Sports
Spring Musical

"I wait for you O Lord; I lift up my soul to my God. Make known to me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths." (Psalm 25:1-2,4)

# Language Arts

#### **Emphasizes:**

- Developing new vocabulary
- Improving comprehension
- Reading and analyzing a variety of genres based on its literary elements
- Creating examples of a variety of essays, short stories and poems
- Developing an understanding and appreciation of dramatic forms through reading, viewing, and performance
- Citing evidence to support opinions
- Exploring the proper usage of the parts of speech (nouns, pronouns, appositives, verbs, adverbs, adjectives, etc.)
- Informational and complex text

# Social Studies

## **Emphasizes:**

- Exploring the important topics in World History from the Neolithic Era to the Renaissance
- Examining relevant political, social, and technological events
- The relationship between our nation's history and current events
- Comparison of past and present problems and solutions
- Improving and expanding students ability to communicate
- Eastern Hemisphere geography with an emphasis on the impact of human civilization

## Science

#### Emphasizes:

- Describing the reproduction, growth and development of cells
- Understanding that genes are located in the chromosomes of each cell and contain hereditary information
- Explaining the functions of certain parts in seed plants
- Utilizing the scientific method to design and construct science investigations
- Understanding that each population serves a function in the ecosystem: producer, consumer, decomposer
- Science Fair in the spring: research, oral presentation, visual display
- Areas of study: Life's Structure and Function, From Bacteria to Plants, Animal Diversity, Human Body Systems, Ecology

# Math

## Emphasizes:

- Participation in daily drills to improve recall, and problem-solving skills
- Development of lifelong math skills including order of operations, using properties, fractions, exponents, signed numbers, scientific notation, algebraic addition, negative coefficients, and simple interest
- Opportunities for remedial attention as well as accelerated opportunities for the advanced student

# Religion

## Emphasizes:

- Presenting the truth of the Catholic faith in a comprehensive, informative and exciting manner
- Focusing on the Creed and Divine Revelation
- Preparing for Confirmation
- Exploring Jesus in the Gospels and through Church teachings
- Focusing on the sacraments and liturgy
- Participating and hosting weekly liturgies
- Examining social doctrine and vocations
- Praying daily as a group and individually
- · Service projects

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# Writing Skills

#### Emphasizes:

- A focus on developing arguments and gathering and presenting supporting evidence in proper sequence.
- Development of research skills in print and electronic media
- Personal narratives
- Various expository writing with an emphasis on argumentative writing