

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Pius X Grade School, a creative educational opportunity rooted in the Gospel Message, provides a well developed, accredited program based on Catholic, Christian tradition. This is accomplished within a caring atmosphere in partnership with the students, family, faculty and parish community.

Our Mission is reflected in the four-fold dimensions of our Catholic School through:

Message:

We pledge to integrate the teachings of Jesus Christ into the daily learning experiences of each child.

Community:

We strive to engender in each child a deep-seated respect for and acceptance of the individual differences within our school, parish, local community and world families.

Worship:

We work to instill into each child and family the importance of practicing daily prayer, participating in liturgy and receiving the sacraments.

Service:

We try to nurture in each child a keen desire to follow Jesus' example through service to fellow students, teachers, staff, parish and the larger community.

SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY

St. Pius X Grade School exists as an integral part of St. Pius X Parish Community in order to creatively share Christian, Catholic values. It supports and augments the family effort to do this.

Each child is recognized as a unique individual and treated respectfully. The child is enabled to become a fully alive human being who knows what it is to love self, others and God.

Recognizing the continuing growth of each child, we provide an environment in which the student is involved in his/her ongoing education: spiritually, intellectually, morally, physically, emotionally and socially.

Our philosophy is reflected in the five-fold goals of education, which are:

SPIRITUAL GOALS:

1. To assist in the development of each child's moral conscience.
2. To model and teach Christian values in the catholic tradition.
3. To provide frequent opportunities for liturgy and sacraments.

4. To pray daily as a school community.
5. To engender in parents the importance of being the primary spiritual model for their children.

INTELLECTUAL GOALS:

1. To provide an excellent accredited educational program.
2. To meet the needs of the individual learner.
3. To offer additional assistance to students with special needs.
4. To make daily learning interesting and challenging.
5. To offer creative opportunities to explore our world.
6. To work in partnership with parents to educate the child.
7. To enkindle a life-long love of learning.

PHYSICAL GOALS:

1. To provide a safe and healthy place for learning.
2. To promote safe and healthy life style choices.
3. To teach teamwork and sportsmanship.
4. To recognize that each child is a physical being requiring many opportunities for play and exercise.
5. To teach appreciation and responsibility for our physical world.

SOCIAL GOALS:

1. To strive for acceptance and respect of each child.
2. To teach social skills necessary to be a successful citizen of the world.
3. To assist each child in learning an appreciation for the diversity in our school and the larger community.
4. To help each child realize his/her role in social justice issues especially those chosen by the parish.

PSYCHOLOGICAL GOALS:

1. To assist each student in believing in himself/herself.
2. To nurture tolerance for self and others.
3. To help each child realize that it is okay to make mistakes.
4. To assist each child in learning how to forgive and to be forgiven.
5. To teach self-control and moderation.

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