



1st Grade

RAIDER PRIDE IS HARD TO HIDE

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School

CURRICULUM

*Religion

We Are Children of God
God as a Loving Parent
Mary as Mother of Jesus

Prayers

Bible Stories

Developing Reverence
Building a Relationship with God

Academic and Social Curriculums

Developmentally Appropriate Integration through Active Learning

Cross Grade and Curricular Leveled Activities

Formative Assessments

Parent Portal

Extended Care Options

Reading Skills

Phonics

Oral Language

Sight Word Recognition

Listening Skills

Story Structure and Comprehension

Drawing Conclusions / Comprehension

*Reading Fluency

Rhyming

Phonemic Awareness

Blending

Sequencing of events

High Frequency Words

Concept of Print

Comprehension

Compare/Contrast

Writing is paralleled with students engaging in journal writing, shared writing, phonetic writing and interactive writing.

Social Interactions

*Circle Time

Concepts (weather, day, date, etc.)
Show and Tell / Sharing Time
Language and Memory Development
Taking Turns
Respect
Songs, Fingerplays, Poems
Storytelling

*Arts and Crafts

*Gross Motor Activities

*Snack Time

*Puzzles and Tabletop Games

*Self-Directed Activities

Leaning Centers
Listening Center
Free Art Expression
Sensory Exploration

*Dramatic Play

*Technology Integration

* Structured activities that encourage sharing, problem solving and teamwork

MOTOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Our Physical Education program enhances both large and small muscle development, balance, hand-eye and foot-eye coordination.

Beginning skills for sport development begins 2nd semester.

Where Children Grow In Wholeness and Holiness



***Math**

Instruction includes hands-on activities to develop concepts.

The students are introduced to the following areas of study:

- Counting and cardinality composing and decomposing numbers to 20, sorting, classifying, graphing, patterns and movement
- Describe, model, draw, and classify plane and solid figures.
- Analyze, compare, create and compose shapes and patterns and their relationships.
- Understand primary functions of addition, subtraction, fractions, decimals and place values.
- Use and manipulate materials to model concepts of measurement and data interpretation.



“Knowledge is of no value unless you put it into practice.” Benjamin Franklin

Social Studies

Students will focus on:

- *Significant leaders, events, and factors in U.S. History from exploration to current day.
- *Explain the contributions of significant groups of people in U.S. history.
- *Roles and sources of authority of legitimate secular and religious leaders.
- *Name location of places, regions and features on the earth including landforms, bodies of water and the shape of Illinois
- *List natural resources and the preservation of these valuable resources
- *Discuss the relationships between geographic factors and society.
- *Maps and directionality
- *Identify factors which producers and consumers consider when making choices.
- *Economic and social justice.

Science

Hands on and interactive science will help students develop the process of scientific inquiry including the areas of:

- *Living things and how they function, adapt, change and interact with each other and the environment
- *Know and classify animals that are mammals, birds, fish, reptiles, amphibians, insects and spiders.
- *Discuss extinction and variations on current age images.
- *Processes of the earth and its resources
- *Composition of the universe and Earth’s place in it
- *Scientific process and inquiry
- *Safety

Additional academic and social opportunities:

- *Music
- *Physical education
- *Art
- *Technology
- *Piano lessons
- *School Choir
- *Intramurals
- *Special Occasion projects
- *Enrichment Days
- *Vacation Bible School
- *Summer activities
- *Service projects
- *All School Spelling Bee
- *Catholic Schools Week activities
- *Drama
- *Family Mass
- *Home and School Social activities