



4th Grade

RAIDER PRIDE IS HARD TO HIDE

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School

CURRICULUM

*Religion

Leaders of the Church

Eternal Life

Sacramental Categories

The Rite of Initiation

Healing

Vocations

Knowing the Church as the Authority of

Moral Law

The Bible

Prayer

Distinguished Reverence

Building a Personal Relationship with God

Technology

Students in 4th grade review general keyboarding skills and well as parts of a computer. Researching skills are developed as students prepare reports and other literary works.

Students utilize:

Word

Excel

Power Point

Storybook and

other software.

Academic and Social Curriculums

Developmentally Appropriate Integration through Active Learning

Cross Grade and Curricular Leveled Activities

Formative Assessments

Parent Portal

Extended Care Options

Language Arts / Reading

Students experience literature in the form of nonfiction, fiction, poetry, folktales, fantasies, and plays. Reading comprehension and fluency develops and improves as students are presented with the following skills:

- Understand cause and effect
- Analyze and cite detail
- Interpret figurative language
- Understand literary devices
- Use details to determine an author's purpose or point of view

Writing

- Apply spelling, phonetic patterns, and parts of speech
- Apply grammar and mechanics of writing
- Be able to write correctly in the following formats; persuasive, informative, narrative, letter writing, poetry, autobiography, research and biography reports

Speech and Communication

- Outlining strategies
- Body language and voice intonation

MOTOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT

4th grade Physical Education focuses on team and individual sports skills. Independent skills that lead to team sports are incorporated allowing students to gain confidence and become cognizant of strengths and areas for growth.

Basic rules and strategies along with sportsmanship are integrated into all activities.

MUSIC

Our music program emphasizes reading basic music, vocal rendition and appreciation of various genres and artists.

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:

- Write and interpret numerical expression
- Analyze patterns and relationships
- Apply strategies to solve problems
- Understand the place value system
- Perform operations with multi-digit whole numbers and decimals to the hundredths
- Use equivalent fractions as a strategy to add and subtract fractions
- Apply and extend previous understanding of multiplication and division to multiply and divide fractions
- Represent and interpret data from graphs and charts
- Graph points on the coordinate plane to solve real world and mathematical problems



“The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows.” Sydney J. Harris

Social Studies

The social studies curriculum prepares students for informed participation in world events. This comprehensive social studies program presents a mixture of history, geography, economics, citizenship and culture. Fifth grade students will explore themes that focus on:

- Geography and map skills
- The United States and Canada
- Latin America
- Europe
- Current events

Science

Hands on and interactive science will help students develop skills for a lifetime of science exploration including;

- Understand the processes of scientific inquiry to investigate questions, conduct experiments and solve problems
- Explore the characteristics of the animal and plant kingdoms
- Know and apply concepts that explain how living things function, adapt and change
- Explain how cells function as “building blocks” of organisms and describe the requirements for cells to live
- Recognize the applications of the types of energy
- Learn the parts of sound waves
- Recognize that light has wavelength and colors

Additional academic and social opportunities:

- *Drop Everything and Read
- *Brain Gym
- *Art
- *Unit Collaborative Studies
- *Piano lessons
- *School Choir
- *Extracurricular Sports
- *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