

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,

**T**rust in the Word of God.





#### **Enrichment**

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

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# Curriculum Guide Grade 6

The students will lend their voices to enrich our celebration during Mass as the choir

"The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to him in song." (Psalm 28:7)

# Language Arts

# Emphasizes:

- Developing improved comprehension of text read through the use of paraphrasing, drawing inferences, determining the main idea, predicting, and comparing and contrasting characters and identifying significant events.
- Reading and analyzing a wide variety of genre based on its distinguishing characteristics and literary elements (historical essay, novel, short story, narrative, folktale, poetry)
- Learning and applying a variety of study skills and proper usage of various reference materials

# Social Studies

## Emphasizes:

- Exploring the Western Hemisphere
- Interpreting thematic maps
- Sequencing and Categorizing information
- Understanding cause and effect
- Identifying types of governments and economies
- Considering technology and its effect on societies
- Compare and contrast characteristics of physical and cultural regions
- Appreciating cultural diversity
- Researching and presenting on a global issue

# Science

#### Emphasizes:

- Describing the breakdown of rocks and explain the components of the rock cycle: erosion, transportation, deposition.
- Utilizing the scientific method to design and construct science investigations.
- Explaining the relationship between the water cycle and weather patterns
- Interpreting how human activities and the atmosphere and hydrosphere relate
- Science Fair in the spring: research, oral presentation, visual display

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# Writing Skills

## Emphasizes:

- Exploring proper usage of parts of speech, and elements of grammar (nouns, pronouns, appositives, verbs, adverbs, adjectives, direct objects, etc.) through authentic writing
- Using the writing process to experiment with various forms of writing (personal narratives, fairy tales, letters, short stories, research reports, etc.)
- Incorporating technology to enhance writing

#### Math

## Emphasizes:

- Building upon prior knowledge to reinforce the foundational skills
- Participating in daily drills to improve recall, fine-tune mental skills and problem-solving skills
- Developing life-long math skills used in everyday life including, but not limited to, using number lines, variables and order of operations, using fractions, exponents, signed numbers, scientific notation, algebraic addition, negative coefficients, simple and compound calculations, interest rates
- Providing opportunities for remedial attention as well as accelerated opportunities for advanced students

# Religion

# Emphasizes:

- Explaining what we believe by studying God's word to us in the scriptures
- Finding our call to God's word by making good choices and through loving God and one another.
- Exploring our liturgical year and church seasons
- Discovering how we worship is connected to celebrations found in the Old Testament