



# St. John Paul II Catholic School

Be not afraid...  
*to be a future saint!*

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## Curriculum Close-Up

### Literature and Language Arts

- Evaluate, synthesize and present ideas and information
- Learn how to use increasingly complex oral and written conventions of the English language in speaking and writing
- Read increasingly complex text with fluency and comprehension, including science fiction, realistic fiction, historical fiction and short story
- Analyze, infer, and draw conclusions about theme and genre in different cultural, historical and contemporary texts
- Provide evidence from text to support understanding of textual analysis and inference
- Use elements of the writing process: pre-writing, drafting, reviewing/revising, editing and publishing
- Produce a variety of written texts, including personal narrative, persuasion, letter writing and essay
- Expand the use of grammar and sentence construction
- Determine meaning of grade-level academic English words derived from Latin, Greek or other linguistic roots

### Mathematics

- Solve multi-step problems by selecting and using a variety of problem solving strategies
- Apply numerical and algebraic operations to find solutions
- Understand and apply concepts in measurement, geometry, probability and statistics
- Initiate algebraic thinking & determine relationships
- Collaborate with one-on-one conferencing to comprehend mastery

## **Earth Science**

- Explore Earth's system, compositional/mechanical layers and plate tectonics
- Classify rocks by processes and formation
- Reinforce science process skills and the scientific method in preparation for classroom labs
- Study human impact on the environment
- Organization of our solar system, the role of gravity and space exploration

## **Social Studies**

- Study people and places in the contemporary world
- Look at ways of organizing governments and economic systems
- Compare aspects of culture such as language and religion
- Examine the influence of individual people and groups of people on past and current events
- Categorize geographic features for map memorization

## **Theology**

- Become familiar with the people of salvation history in both the Old and New Testaments
- Understand selected Old Testament stories
- Understand God, revelation and faith
- Understand Catholic moral teaching

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