

St. Patrick Catholic School
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The Preschool Experience

St. Patrick Mission Statement

To provide an exceptional educational experience built upon faith, academics and service, within a Catholic community that exemplifies the teachings of Jesus Christ.



The Preschool Experience

The Preschool at St. Patrick School incorporates a Montessori-based curriculum with one goal of further developing the coordination, concentration and independ-

ence of each student in a Catholic faith environment. By appealing to the child's sense of order, the environment is carefully prepared with sequenced activities to meet each child's individual needs. Each student has the freedom to choose among a variety of materials that can be touched and manipulated in all of the preschool curriculum areas.

St. Patrick Philosophy

St. Patrick Catholic School is a part of St. Patrick Parish. St. Patrick Parish provides students and parents with a community that shares Catholic traditions, worships together and assists those in need. The school guides students in an atmosphere of continued growth through academic, spiritual and moral development. St. Patrick School develops students of integrity, with values to sustain and lead them in lives that make a difference.

- ✠ St. Patrick School believes in Faith First, Excellence in Education, and a Commitment to Community.
- ✠ St. Patrick School strives to utilize technological advancements and evolving methodology to educate its students.
- ✠ St. Patrick School respects and embraces a diverse student population.
- ✠ St. Patrick School provides a setting where the administration, teachers, parents, and students work together for the advancement of the entire school community.
- ✠ St. Patrick School promotes Catholic social teaching, values, and morals which are reflected in the curriculum and climate.

Preschool Philosophy

- * We believe parents are the first and most important teachers of their children.
- * We believe positive self-image is essential to learning.
- * We are committed to teach as Jesus did with love and respect for each child.
- * We provide a developmentally appropriate, nurturing environment for children to grow and learn, guided by caring and qualified staff.

Since 1994, St. Patrick Catholic School has been accredited by the Michigan Non-Public Accrediting Association (MNSAA).



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Preschool Curriculum & Activities

Religion: Allows the child to take the first steps on their journey of faith. Through daily prayer, song, art and storytelling, children come to understand what a difference faith can make in their lives.

Practical Life: Provides tasks of daily living familiar to the child to help them learn to care for themselves and their environment. Activities include: simple food preparation, housekeeping skills and hand-eye coordination work.

Sensorial: Acquaints the child with pre-math materials and concepts and helps refine their experience of sight, sound, touch, taste and smell.

Math: Offers the use of concrete materials to help prepare for the gradual transition to abstract thinking.

Language: Provides a multi-sensory approach to the pre-reading / pre-writing process. Eye and ear training are introduced to help lay the foundation for reading, as well as, materials for the refinement of motor control for writing.

Science: Includes an introduction to botany, zoology and physical science at a developmentally appropriate level.

Geography: Introduces the child to the surrounding world. Continents and foreign cultures are introduced and diversity is explored and respected.

Music & Movement: Supports the development of gross motor skills through song, dance and exposure to different musical styles.

Registration Process for Preschool:

- * Completed registration form
- * Non-refundable registration fee
- * Official birth certificate
- * Baptismal certificate (if Catholic)
- * Health appraisal form including a physical evaluation and documented immunizations with health-care provider signature

Tuition and fees: Please call the office at 248.698.3240 for current tuition rates.

St. Patrick Preschool is the beginning of the St. Patrick Catholic School experience. St. Patrick School offers morning and afternoon preschool programs, four days a week. It is open to students who will be 3 years old by September 1st. Children must be fully potty trained.

MORNINGS

Monday - Thursday

7:45 am - 11:30 am

(includes eating lunch at school)

AFTERNOONS

Monday - Thursday

11:50 am - 2:50 pm

**Discover the opportunities that await your child at
St. Patrick Catholic School!**