

Textbooks-

Math- Math Expressions, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2013

Science- A Closer Look, Macmillan McGraw Hill, 2008 (through June of 2016), Nancy Larson Science, Grade 5, 2015 (starting September of 2016)

Social Studies- Scott Foresman Building a Nation. 2011

Reading- Treasures, Macmillan/McGraw-Hill, 2011

Religion- Blest are We, Benzinger-Life, 2010

Fifth Grade Highlights/Field Trips-

Junior Achievement Biz Town

Tacoma Symphony

Pacific Science Center

Shoe Stuffers sale

Kids Care Projects

Balloon Racers and Catapults

Chicken Embryology

Accreditation-

St. Charles Borromeo is accredited by the Western Catholic Educational Association.

What does our fifth grade program entail?

This program is for students who are ready and excited to grow both socially and academically. The students in our fifth grade family work hard, study hard, and play hard. Fifth grade is a year of change and transition. For many students, physical and emotional changes will begin. Students will take more and more responsibility for their learning and decision making. Fifth grade is a wonderful stage of development. A normal school day is filled with common core academic lessons and religion is taught daily. Students also attend music, library, physical education, Spanish, and computer classes weekly. We look forward to a fun-filled year of learning and growing academically, socially, and spiritually.

How do we apply for the fifth grade program?

If you are interested in St. Charles Borromeo's fifth grade program please obtain an application from the front office or on our website at www.stcharlesb.org.

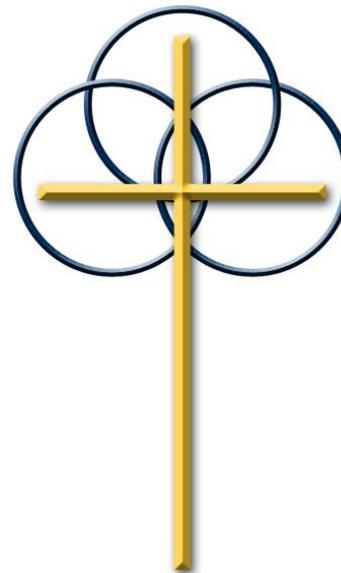
***If you have questions, please call the school office
564-5185 ext: 3021***



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Fifth Grade

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School



Our Mission:

"Inspired by Christ, our common vision at St. Charles is to prepare students to be responsible individuals with traditional Catholic values and a life-long love of learning. As a ministry of St. Charles Borromeo Parish, we provide opportunities for academic and spiritual growth within a secure and supportive environment in partnership with parents, parish, and community."

Religion-

Your child will learn to...

1. treat all people with respect
2. accept people for their unique qualities
3. show knowledge of grade level prayers including the Jesus prayer and Act of Faith.
4. perform community service for others who are less fortunate through the Kids Care and Shoe Stuffer programs.
5. portray Christian values and morals through their actions
6. attend All School Mass and Mass held on Holy Days of Obligation
7. take part in Faith Family discussions and activities
8. pray... knowing different types of prayer and prayer labs
9. identify the liturgical calendar focusing on the seasons and Holy Days of Obligation
10. identify the Seven Sacraments along with Sacramental symbols
11. celebrate the seasons of the Catholic Faith
12. understand the order of the mass.
13. know of the miracles of Jesus.
14. identify Saints and the process of Canonization

Mathematics-

Your child will learn to...

1. develop fluency with addition and subtraction of fractions
2. develop understanding of the multiplication of fractions and of division of fractions in limited cases (unit fractions divided by whole numbers and whole numbers divided by unit fractions)
3. extend division to 2-digit divisors, integrating decimal fractions into the place value system and develop understanding of operations with decimals to hundredths, and develop fluency with whole number and decimal operations
4. develop understanding of volume. Students recognize volume as an attribute of three-dimensional space. They understand that volume can be measured by finding the total number of same-size units of volume required to fill the space without gaps or overlaps.

Social Studies-

Your child will learn to...

1. develop and understand historical timelines and events
2. explore World Geography
3. gain an understanding and appreciation of key events and people in the founding and growth of our country.

Science-

Your child will learn about...

1. **Life Science – Diversity Of Life –**
Cells– Labs: Compare plant and animal cells using microscopes and chart mold growth
Animal Life Cycles and Reproduction–Labs: Predict how a plant can grow without seed, dissect a seed, classify shared physical traits, and flower dissections
2. **Earth Science – The Universe, Rocks and Minerals**
The Universe: Labs: Planetsphere, Star Lab, and Forces of Gravity
3. **Physical Science – Using Forces** - Motion, Work and Energy, and Simple Machines
Forces and Motion Labs = Catapult competition and balloon racers

Language Arts-

In reading class, your child will learn to...

1. develop life-long reading skills of comprehension strategies and vocabulary development
2. appreciate different reading genres which include Tall Tales, Mysteries, and Biographies.
3. appreciate novel studies through small group and large group class novels.
4. Complete creative book reports and Reading Counts Monthly

In writing class, your child will learn...

1. spelling skills
2. grammar and sentence structure understanding
3. the process of writing from rough draft to published pieces
4. appreciate writing through a variety of writing opportunities including narrative, expository, persuasive, letter writing, journal writing and poetry.

