

CURRICULUM AREAS

St. Anne School is governed by the curriculum guidelines established by the Diocese of Allentown and the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Textbooks are reviewed annually and updated to meet the needs of our students.

RELIGION

Religion, as taught at St. Anne School, is a way of life, not merely another subject. The students must come to see that God who speaks to all in the goodness of His creation and is known through science, social studies, and literature is the same God who speaks to us through the Word made Flesh.

The Religion class lays the foundation for the formation of attitudes and the building of principles upon which the student will base his/her life. Non-Catholic students are expected to participate in Religion class and attend liturgies and para-liturgies.

Parents/Guardians are expected to see their children participate in Sunday Mass and receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Meetings are held for the parents/guardians prior to the children receiving these sacraments.

READING AND MATHEMATICS

The underlying philosophy of Catholic Education is the development of the whole child. The implementation of this philosophy has resulted in a more intense interest in individual needs in an effort to use all various potentials to the fullest. We hope to accomplish the following:

Provide a program for continuous intellectual growth in special skills suitable to the needs of each student.

Flexible grouping of students so that more attention can be given to individual difficulties, abilities, and needs.

Base our program not only on achievement, but also on emotional maturity, social and physical development.

AS a student masters the skills on a level, he/she will proceed to the next level. Since not all students learn at the same rate, movement from level to level may occur at various times during the year.

SCIENCE

In the study of science, students are involved in the process of scientific inquiry that emphasizes the importance of discovery.

LANGUAGE ARTS

The Language Arts Program includes Reading, Grammar, Correct Usage, History of Language, Letter Writing, Composition, Literature, and Oral Communications. The ability to express oneself both orally and in writing is essential in today's society.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Social Studies helps prepare the student for life in our rapidly changing world. The student is equipped with concepts and skills that will enable him/her to understand the basic ideas that affect and influence social relationship and with the ability to employ his/her ideas in social problem solving.

ART AND MUSIC

Art and Music aim at broadening and deepening the student's awareness and sensitivity to the world around him/her.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

By exposing students to the languages of the world, we believe they will gain a greater appreciation for the diverse culture of our country and our world.

TECHNOLOGY

Computers as well as other technology are integrated within the classroom instruction at all grade levels. Additionally Grades K-8 receive computer science instruction to assist students to become proficient in the use of computers. Internet access is available to the students. An Internet/network acceptable use agreement must be on file for each student.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education classes are part of the school curriculum. In order to be excused from participating in a Physical Education class a written note from a parent/guardian is required. If a prolonged excused absence from Physical Education is requested, a written note from a physician is needed.

All students are required by the State to participate in the Physical Education Program.

LIBRARY

Students in Grades K-5 have access to the library. Each class is assigned a particular day for the purpose of checking out books and for library instruction.

Parents/guardians are requested to see that the students take proper care of the books and return them when they are due. A late fine of \$.20 per day, per book is charged. The student pays for the lost or damaged book.

Reference books are permitted to leave the library only overnight.

BAND/INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Instrumental lessons are offered to students in grades 4-8 once a week. The band practices after school once a week. There are two concerts planned per year.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Speech, Math Remediation, Reading Remediation, Psychological and Educational Assessment Services and Student Instructional Team Services are available through the Colonial Intermediate Unit and the Bethlehem Area School District.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

A variety of extracurricular activities is available through the school and CYO programs. Information on these activities is available online.

MIDDLE STATES ACCREDITATION

St. Anne School is accredited by the Middle States Commission for Elementary Schools. Additional information on St. Anne School can be gathered from the Middle States website at: www.ces-msa.org.

“Each child is a unique creation of God with a special set of talents and a particular set of gifts.”