



# St. Joseph Parish School

## K5 Program

**Full-Day:** 5 days per week, 8:15am—3:15pm

Our K5 program is designed to foster the development of the whole child by providing opportunities for intellectual, social, spiritual, emotional, physical and creative development.

The classroom environment encourages students to think critically and fosters a natural desire to experiment, explore, and learn. Our curriculum-based program provides many opportunities to explore the world around us and the schedule has been carefully planned to include large and small group instruction as well as whole group and individual activities.

**Religion:** Weekly Mass or prayer service, learning about Creation, the Church calendar, and Saints; daily prayer and celebrations of Catholic traditions and holidays.

**Reading/Language Arts:** small individualized reading groups. Develop independent reading, writing skills, and habits that enable children to write often and fluently. Demonstrate listening comprehension and ability to articulate feelings and ideas.

**Math:** Counting by 1s, 5s, and 10s to 100, read and interpret graphs, recognize shapes and patterns, time telling and money value, measurement, beginning addition and subtraction.

**Science:** Inquiry, exploration, and hands-on learning; weather, space, earth's changes; forces, motion and energy; matter, plants and animals.

**Social Studies:** Our family, community, and the world.

**Social Development:** Sharing and taking turns, independence and self-motivation, self-confidence, cooperation, good manners, listening.

**Special Activities:** Grandparents Day, Pet Blessing, field trips, themed dress down spirit days, birthday celebrations, mystery readers, "buddy activities" with Elementary and Middle School students.

**Specials:** Weekly Art, Music, Library, Spanish, and Physical Education classes.

**Meals & Snacks:** Students can bring in a snack. Lunch can be brought from home or purchased hot.





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Per the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, our curriculum is based on the Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards (WMELS). St. Joseph Parish School provides developmentally appropriate experiences. Our K5 program sets the foundation for a love of learning, critical thinking skills, and problem solving techniques in 1st grade and beyond.

### Typical Daily Schedule:

**8:15-8:30:** arrival, morning announcements, all school prayer, and morning meeting

**8:30-9:00:** whole group reading instruction

**9:00-10:00:** small group reading instruction and literacy/math stations

**10:00-10:15:** snack

**10:15-11:00:** writing

**11:00-11:20:** religion

**11:20-12:10:** lunch and recess

**12:10-12:25:** story time

**12:25-1:10:** rest time

**1:10-1:45:** science/social studies

**1:45-2:00:** math

**2:00-2:15:** recess

**2:15-3:00:** choice play or play based activities

**3:00-3:15:** prayer, daily closing activities, dismissal



### Our K5 students benefit from all our K-8 school has to offer:

- Mass, schoolwide prayer, liturgical calendar celebrations
- Christmas and spring concerts
- Buddy class with older students
- Specials: Spanish, Art, Library, Physical Education, Music
- Field Trips
- Before & After School On-Site Extended Care
- Access to our gymnasium and outdoor playground
- Invitations to school events such as Family Fun Night and Grandparents Day
- Smartboards and iPads integrated technology
- Mindfulness

