



# Valley Catholic Kindergarten Curriculum Overview

## Catholic

### Religious Instruction:

includes classroom emphasis on four major themes: *Learning about God's Love, Growing in God's Love, Sharing God's Love, and Celebrating God's Love*

### Language Arts/ Reading Readiness:

includes phonics, phonemic awareness, literacy, writing, fluency, and comprehension

### Art:

includes an introduction to the elements and principles of art design and art production and a parent-led art literacy program

### Math Readiness:

includes beginning number sense and geometry, measurement, probability, patterning, simple addition, and simple subtraction

### Science:

includes introductory study of life science, physical science, and earth science

### Technology:

classes focus on using technology responsibly and appropriately, and technology is used to enhance the different subject areas. Students visit the computer lab once each week to learn technology skills, and they use iPads in the classroom to assist with their learning.

### Library:

Kindergartners have library once a week for thirty minutes and may check out one book for a period of one week. Their weekly lessons include information about library procedures, proper library behavior, returning books on time, book selection, book care, reading and listening comprehension, literature appreciation, differences between fiction and non-fiction materials, and others.

### Spanish:

Spanish language/culture: includes Spanish phonetic awareness, basic literacy skills, basic communication skills

### Music:

includes music theory, listening, rhythm, and singing

## Physical

### Education:

includes practicing motor skills, ball-handling skills, sports skills, fitness, tumbling, and swimming



### Health:

Social-emotional learning through Second Step and Sanford Harmony lessons, food groups, dental health, and staying active and healthy

### Social Studies:

includes introductory study of community, country, geography, world cultures, and comparing how we live today with how our ancestors lived.