



MIDDLE SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

2019-2020

As you prepare to send your child to Middle School, it's time again to share what makes Middle School at St. Joseph Catholic School so valuable to your child.

- Two classrooms per grade level allow dynamic interaction in the classroom and differentiated learning in all subjects.
- Regular pace and accelerated Math and English further allow students to be stretched and prepared for competitive high school application process.
- On high school placement exams, St. Joseph students test into advanced Math classes and are well-prepared for advanced English and Writing classes that in turn prepare them for an even more competitive college application process.
- Interactive, hands-on STEMscopes™ Science curriculum engages and prepares students for STEM study in high school.
- Our middle students begin their day in homeroom and from there transition to six different teachers for their daily subjects. This is in addition to Spanish, Art, Technology, PE, and Music.
- Students learn to keep their materials organized as they move between classes, just as they will do in high school.
- Middle School students at St. Joseph have final exams, so when they have finals in high school they know how to study and be prepared.
- Students are expected to be accountable and responsible for their work. Of course we partner with parents, but students learn to be self-reliant and advocate for themselves - skills they will need for high school and for life.
- A high number of our students applying to Catholic high schools receive merit scholarships

Middle School Students also enjoy:

- Student leadership opportunities
- Speech club
- Service projects
- Retreats in 7th and 8th grades
- 8th grade class trip to Washington DC
- Full service cafeteria with Hot Lunch and salad bar each full school day