Spanish

Students engage in age-appropriate Spanish language concepts and culture through music, movement and meaningful connections with their classmates twice a week.

Physical Education

Includes participating motor skills, ball handling skills, sports skills, fitness, tumbling, jump roping and swimming in the spring. Students receive physical education twice a week.

Music

Includes music theory, listening, rhythm, reading music notes and singing twice a week.

Library and Technology

Students visit the library once a week and have the opportunity to check out one book. In Library they learn about library procedures, book selection and care, and practice listening comprehension. Students also attend the computer lab one a week where they learn how to use technology appropriately. Technology is used to enhance the various subject areas. Students learn technology skills on the computer and use iPads in the classroom.

Kindergarten Curriculum

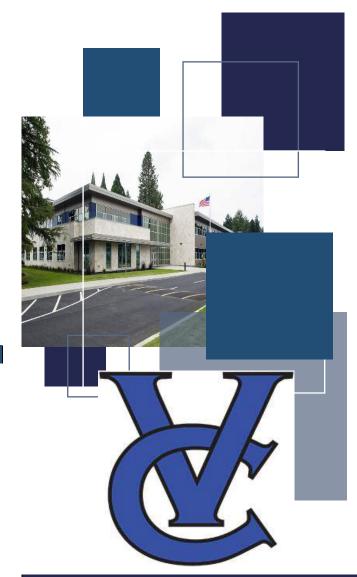
Kindergarten follows the Archdiocesan Standards as well as the Common Core State Standards.

CYO Sports and Extracurricular Activities

Valley Catholic Elementary School offers CYO Sports and many varied after-school enrichment activities.







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Science

Students will observe patterns of what plant and animals/humans need to survive, the seasons & the effect of sunlight on the Earth's surface. Students will also learn about engineering and design, make observations to define a simple problem and create a solution.

Social Studies

In social studies students learn about rules and why they are important, needs vs wants, community helpers, maps and globes, traditions and holidays, past vs present.

Health

Students learn about social-emotional learning through Second Step and Sanford Harmony lessons. Additionally students discuss dental health, food groups, and how to stay healthy and active.

Math Readiness

Students engage in whole group and small group hands-on instruction to learn beginning number sense including counting to 100 by ones and tens, composing and decomposing numbers to 10, addition and subtraction within 5, measurement, and geometry

Language Arts/ Reading Readiness

In kindergarten, students practice phonics and phonemic awareness each day through the Heggerty program. Students engage in whole group and small group instruction to build literacy, writing, fluency, and comprehension skills. Students will also learn to distinguish between different types of text.



2024-2025 School Year Theme:

"United in Love"

Religion

Students learn about the Bible and listen to various Bible stories, Jesus and the Holy Family, how and where Mass is celebrated, and what it means to pray. We integrate prayer throughout the day and practice 4 prayers in kindergarten.

Art

Students are introduced to elements and principles of art design and art production through a parent led art literacy program. Students also use water colors, are led through direct draws, and use different art techniques to create artwork aligned to academics.