

Valley Catholic Elementary School



Specialist Classes,
Learning Support,
and Counseling

Physical Education

Students practice motor skills, ball handling skills, sports fitness, sports skills, tumbling, and swimming.

All classes come to PE twice a week. In 5th grade, they learn water safety skills in the pool.

Spanish

Students explore Spanish language concepts and culture through music, movement, and meaningful connections. Students have Spanish class twice a week.

Music

Students participate in age-appropriate music theory, instrument exploration, pitch, rhythm, and singing many different types of songs twice each week.

Fourth graders all learn to play violin during their music classes.

Library

In library class, students learn how to find, use, and enjoy books and other information resources. They explore different genres and authors, practice locating materials using the library catalog, and develop research and information literacy skills. Students also learn about digital citizenship, how to use technology safely and responsibly, and strengthen their reading comprehension and critical thinking through read-alouds, discussions, and projects. The goal is to build a love of reading and teach students how to become independent, thoughtful users of information.

Learning Support

We use a Multi-Tiered Support System (MTSS) framework to provide high-quality instruction and interventions matched to student needs.

Tier 1: Core Curriculum and Instruction for all students.

Tier 2: Supplemental Instruction for students not meeting benchmark standards.

Tier 3: Intensive Instruction for students who have not responded to Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruction.

Counseling

Our VCES counseling program supports students' academic, social-emotional, and behavioral growth. Provides individual and group counseling as needed. Collaborates with teachers and families to address student needs. The program promotes self-awareness, empathy, problem-solving, and responsible decision-making. Through prevention and support initiatives, it fosters a safe, caring, and inclusive school environment aligned with VCES mission and values.