## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Visitation is a Catholic Parish School that promotes life-long learning, responsible citizenship, academic excellence, and sharing the Good News and love of Jesus Christ.



Technology Teacher: Mrs. Vanderzanden

# Welcome to the Visitation Catholic School Library!

We are here for students to gain computer skills that will enable them to become productive users of technology in the 21st Century. We also focus on learning to become digital citizens and to use technology appropriately. We are pleased to assist our students and support their curricular needs for other subject areas.

# VCS WELCOMES YOU!

Come explore our campus; a place where students from Preschool through 8th grade have an opportunity to fulfill their potential within a safe and supportive academic environment.



# VISITATION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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# LIBRARY CURRICULUM





Cultivating faith through academic excellence, arts and athletics in the Catholic tradition since 1883.

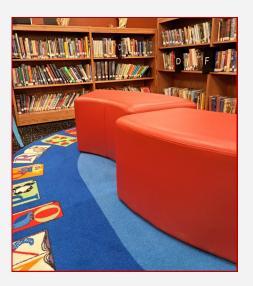
# VISITATION'S LIBRARY PROGRAM

**Promotes** the fun and excitement of reading through the activities that tie into the books that we read. We celebrate Dr. Suess' birthday each year. We participate in the Young Readers Choice Awards and Beverly Cleary Awards. In addition to holding a 'mock' Newbery and Caldecott Election.

**Guides** the student in finding books that he/she finds interesting.

**Teaches** the students how to choose the right resources and effectively use them to gather the information they need.

**Provides** materials that support and enhance the curriculum.



# **OUR PHILOSOPHY**

Visitation Catholic School is dedicated to the four-fold principles of Catholic education: message, service, community and worship. In accordance with these principles, we are committed to the building of a Christ centered community of students. We believe all who participate in the process have vital and distinct roles.



### **KINDERGARTEN - 2ND GRADE**

- Listen to classic books as well as new favorites
- Learn the difference between fiction and nonfiction books
- Discuss how to choose a book that is a good "fit" for each student
- Check out books to take home and read 1-2 at a time

### 3RD GRADE & 4TH GRADE

- Learn about the Dewey Decimal Classification System as well as how the library arranges books
- Learn about different book genres
- Participate in different read aloud activities such as Readers Theatre and storytelling
- Check out books to take home and read up to 3 at a time

## **5TH GRADE & 6TH GRADE**

- Learn how to use the different research resources in our library such as dictionaries, almanacs, atlases, thesauruses, and encyclopedias
- Check out books to take home and read up to 3 at a time



#### 7TH GRADE & 8TH GRADE

- Create research plans to assist in writing research papers
- Continue to actively use all the research resources in the library
- Check out books to take home and read up to 3 at a time

### **READING ACTIVITIES**

- Book Adventure: an opportunity for our students to earn book bucks by reading. They can then use them on our special Book, Buck, Buy Day
- Read-A-Thon
- Read Across America Day
- Mock Newbery and Caldecott election (Kindergarten & 1st Graders)
- Voting for the Beverly Cleary Award (2nd Grade & 3rd Grade)
- Book Fairs on campus twice a year for kids to add to their home library

