



Early Childhood

We strive to make your child's first educational experience a positive and joyful one. Our children grow in their awareness of self and in their relationship with God.

- Preschool Program for Three and Four Year Olds
- Optional Full Day Kindergarten Program
- Kindermusik Program available for newborns to 2nd grade

"Our son is one of the many new additions to the Preschool Program at SJS. We have embraced the experience, and we could not be more pleased. The "best kept secret" of Lockport has exceeded our expectations and fulfilled the promise of excellence in standards of a religious based education." (Current Family)

Community

Opportunities to share your time, talent, and treasures.

- School Board
- Parent Club Board
- Development
- Athletic Board
- Alumni Board
- Parent Volunteers

Opportunities for Students to demonstrate Faith in Action.

- Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Adopt a Needy Family Christmas Program
- Sandwich Day for Daybreak Shelter
- Altar servers

Dedicated time spent serving those in need (Brazilian Sisters Mission, Parishioners who are home-bound or in nursing care, and local charities)

- Opportunities to gather as a school family.
- Parish and Student led Prayer Services and Masses
- Special Events: Octoberfest, Dinner Dance, and Legacy Gala
- Grandparent's Day
- Christmas Program

Christmas and Spring Band Concert

- Parent Educational and Faith-based Meetings
- Family sponsored activities: Jackhammer's baseball game, hayride and cookout, skating and bowling

"I love walking through the hallways everyday and knowing each person's name." (Alumni Student)

Extra-Curricular

A wealth of activities are available outside of the academic arena.

- Extended day program-providing before and after school care on the premises
- Girl Scouts
- Young Rembrandts After School Art Program
- Band Program
- Rainbows Program
- Math Club
- Geography Bee
- Junior High Dances
- Honor Society

"SJS has taught me many different things. Not just things like the three R's, it has taught me many different life lessons like how to deal with different types of people and handle different situations." (SJS Alumni)

Our School Mission Statement

The mission of St. Joseph School is to build a catholic environment that promotes excellence in learning and development of the whole

person through the gospel message.

Together with parents, staff, and our parish community, we seek to form leaders by guiding our students to their highest levels of spiritual and academic potential. We offer an environment which encompasses a quality academic curriculum, mutual respect, intellectual curiosity, and service to others.



St. Joseph School

Lockport

*Building Faith, Knowledge
and Hope For Our Future*

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Curriculum

- Over a century of tradition providing Catholic education and foundation for success in the Lockport area.
- Our students score in the top third or higher in the nation and diocesan level on standardized tests
 - Our alumni have shown success at the high school level in various capacities as valedictorians/salutatorians, Illinois State Scholars presence on the honor roll, and advance placement course work
 - More than 90% or our graduates continue their education to the college level
 - The dedicated faculty and staff are committed to academic excellence and advancement through continued education, graduate classes, and masters degrees
 - In preparation for high school, our Junior High classes (grades 5-8) are departmentalized to offer students the experience of different styles of instruction and advanced placement based on abilities

"Our children attended this school and received an outstanding academic and religious education that was second to none. They differentiated from right and wrong and revered a sense of kindness and goodness that still permeates in their lives. With the dedicated service of the laity and religious staff, their education was rich with tradition. Due to the strong academic and spiritual foundation constructed at SJS, our children are thriving in all aspects. The experiences here at St. Joseph have profoundly impacted our lives."
(Alumni Parents)

"Thanks to SJS our daughter is a person that values commitment to her education, her religion, her friends and her family." (Alumni Parent)

Technology

- Our technology program offers engaging opportunities for students and teachers to use technology to enhance the learning process through research, communication and productivity strategies and tools.
- Interactive instruction and engaging opportunities in a state of the art Technology Center with 33 workstations.
 - Effective use of technology and integration of technology to all areas of the curriculum with internet accessible computers in every classroom.
 - Establishing the first diocesan elementary school Video Broadcast Center, St. Joseph's very own "WJOE"

Fine Arts

- An enhanced curriculum offering various enrichment opportunities.
- Art class
 - Choir
 - Music
 - Band

If you would like your child and family to experience a strong sense of community with religious aspirations and commitment to academic excellence that transcends generations, SJS is the home for you.

Spiritual Enrichment

- Faith filled environment encompassing every aspect of daily living including curriculum, athletics and all extracurricular activities.
- Daily Prayer
 - Student led weekly masses and prayer services
 - Catholic Christian instruction
 - Preparation for Holy Sacraments

"These years at St. Joseph have taught me the meaning of the word family. My classmates have turned into my best friends, and my teachers have always been there to help me through the many obstacles I have encountered. This school has taught the values and importance of being a good friend and a faithful Catholic." (SJS Alumni)



"Catholic education is very important in the life of the church. One of the jewels of Catholic church in America is the parochial school system. St. Joseph has a long and storied history of providing the best in Catholic education of its young people."

Most Reverend Joseph L. Inesch
Bishop of Joliet

Athletics

- St. Joseph Athletics is committed to a program that promotes Christian faith through organized activities. We provide every student an opportunity to participate and instills in our athletes and their parents the ideals of teamwork, sportsmanship, and Christian leadership.
- A 10,000 square foot Activity Center
 - 5th - 8th Grade Girls and Boys Volleyball, Basketball
 - Cheerleading
 - 3rd & 4th Grades Instructional Clinics for Volleyball, Basketball and Cheerleading
 - Physical Education Program at all grade levels including Kindergarten

"SJS has put values into me that will stay with me all through life. The sports teams have taught me to work hard and try to achieve greatness. All of these things together show that SJS really is a special place." (SJS Alumni)

