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6th Grade Curriculum Summary

St. Augustine School's curriculum is based upon the Archdiocese of Detroit standards and our mission of educating students in body, mind, and spirit.

Religion

- Students will examine the Old Testament stories as a basis for our beliefs.
- Students will complete various activities to understand the structure of the Bible and become familiar with Scripture.
- Students will study the lives of Saints.
- Students will be able to define salvation as the forgiveness of sin and recognize that Jesus' gift of salvation requires a response on the part of the believer.
- Students will understand what discipleship and virtuous living looks like as a 6th grade student.
- Students will recognize that by virtue of their Baptism, they are called to participate in the mission of the Church and share the "good news" with others through words and actions.
- Students will learn what it means to be human, understanding the foundations of our authentic identity as human persons created in the image and likeness of God, male and female.
- Students will take an active part in Mass by preparing petitions, acting as ushers and proclaiming the Word of God.

Language Arts

- Students will know how to write different types of compositions-from business letters to essays as well as demonstrate excellence in the conventions of grammar, usage, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling.
- Students will use vocabulary context clues, affixes and roots, and prior knowledge to determine definitions and then apply those words into their reading and writing.
- Students will be able to read a variety of literature and informational texts and respond by making predictions and inferences, extracting main ideas, comparing and contrasting, and evaluating evidence and sources.

Math

- Students will understand and solve problems involving rates, ratios, and proportions.
- Students will apply and use properties such as associative, distributive and commutative.
- Students will write and evaluate numerical expressions involving whole-numbers, fractions and decimals.
- Students will practice using exponents, absolute value and radical expressions.

- Students will experience cross-curricular integration of mathematics and science using metric measurements in practical applications.

Science

- Students will learn about heat transfer, chemical reactions, weathering, Earth's water, Earth's atmosphere, electricity, and proper care of our natural resources.
- Students will demonstrate proper use of equipment and follow correct safety protocols as learned through classroom instruction.
- Students will learn and apply skills in critical thinking, making observations, and experimentation throughout relevant laboratory exercises.
- Students will demonstrate their knowledge of rocks and the rock cycle by completing a rock collection project.
- Students will complete a plate boundary project to display knowledge they gain about clues to Earth's past and plate tectonics.
- Students will understand the intricate nature of God's creations and learn about their Creator through His creations.

Social Studies

- Students will learn about Europe, Russia, Asia, Oceania, New Zealand, and Antarctica.
- Students will examine how geography influences the way people live.
- Students will conclude how civilizations rise and fall.
- Students will learn how governments change.
- Students will understand how religion shapes society.
- Students will compare societies' unique qualities.
- Students will analyze early humans and agricultural revolutions.