



St. Joseph of Cupertino School

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ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO SCHOOL'S PHILOSOPHY

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Joseph of Cupertino School, with the support of our families, is committed to educating the "whole child." We place importance on the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, and physical development of each unique child. We base our education upon the teachings of Jesus - teachings which foster respect, responsibility, justice, gratitude, and peacefulness.

STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Because we are committed to educating the "whole child," our program is very comprehensive. We provide a challenging academic curriculum, while addressing the special needs of individual students. We acknowledge our responsibility to prepare our students for the world in which they will live. We expect them to learn to give back to their world and to believe that they can make it a better place. We are dedicated to instilling this sense of social responsibility in our students by modeling a praying, learning, growing, caring, and welcoming community.

We believe in forging a strong relationship with the family because we understand that parents are the first and most important teachers of their children. Children benefit when they know that all the adults in their lives are working together and supporting each other.

We are committed to nurturing the values of the Gospel message in our daily contact with each other, with the students, with the families, and with the larger community.

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GOALS

Spiritual Goal: We will foster a spirituality based on the teachings of Jesus Christ, teachings which focus on the values of love, respect, responsibility, justice, mercy, freedom, gratitude, and peacefulness; we dedicate ourselves to an on-going process of faith development among faculty, students, and families, the purpose of which is to develop a close, personal, and life-altering relationship with God.

Intellectual Goal: We will provide a challenging academic curriculum which encourages students to do and be their best, while also offering support and guidance so that students can meet these high standards; we will foster intellectual curiosity, guide students to think critically, and encourage them to make moral decisions based on our Christian values.

Emotional Goal: We will provide a learning atmosphere that promotes mutual respect and enables students to feel that the adults in their lives will strive to keep them safe and protected, both physically and emotionally.

Social Goal: We want our children to grow to be happy, productive, caring, welcoming, and generous people who believe in the goodness of God's world; and who believe that, by following the message of Jesus, they can give back to their community and make the world a better place.

Physical Goal: We will teach our students to honor and respect their bodies and the bodies of others in all ways and at all times.