

Making the right choice for your child...

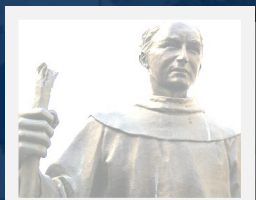
Choosing the right school with the right program for your child is one of the most difficult decisions a parent must face.

Rooted in Faith and Vision, the community of St. Serra Catholic School welcomes children from the parishes of St. Kilian, San Francisco Solano, Santiago de Compostela and Holy Trinity. In the spirit of the Gospel, the parents, teachers, and administration of Serra Catholic School strive to educate and develop the unique potential of each student spiritually, academically, physically, psychologically and socially.

Student Learning Expectations

- A Catholic, Christ-Centered Life that Serves God and Others
- An Engaged and Active Life-Long Learner
- A Respect and Reverence for Human Dignity and Diversity
- A Passion to Share and Lead with One's God-Given Gifts

"Unless our Catholic philosophy and way of life are taught religiously, our civilization will be founded on sand."
St. Junipero Serra



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5th

Fifth Grade Curriculum



**Large School
Opportunities,
Small School Culture**

5th GRADE CURRICULUM

Instruction in 5th grade is offered using a departmentalized approach.

Avg. Class Size: 25 students

RELIGION

- Monthly Masses
- The Sacraments
- The Beatitudes
- The Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy
- Family Life
- Weekly Sunday Gospel Preparation
- Annual Spiritual Retreat
- On-going Service in Action Projects and Opportunities

MATHEMATICS

Four Levels of Instruction Daily

- Curriculum Aligned to the Common Core Math Standards
- Fractions, Decimals, and Percent
- Geometry and Measurement
- Problem-Solving Skills and Logic Games
- Daily Foundation Skill Reinforcement with Simple Solutions Common Core
- Note-taking including Math Specific Vocabulary and Study Skills

LANGUAGE ARTS

Four Levels of Instruction with over 70 minutes of Instruction Daily

- Curriculum Aligned to the Common Core ELA Standards
- Read Across America Day
- Middle School Reads— Featuring an Author Visit
- Vocabulary Integrated with Literature and Spelling
- Literature including non-fiction, fiction, and poetry
- English Composition featuring the Jane Schaffer Approach to Expository Writing

SOCIAL STUDIES

- United States History
- Native Americans
- Exploration
- Colonization
- American Revolution
- Forming of a New Nation
- Daily Geography
- Annual National Geographic Bee
- Taste of America and State Projects
- Walk Through the American



SCIENCE

- Life Science
- Weather and Space
- Matter and Energy
- Scientific Inquiry
- Hands-On Experiments
- Weather and Water Experience at the Ocean

ENRICHMENT CURRICULUM

- Art
- Music
- Physical Education
- Creativity Lab
- 1:1 Technology Integrated across Curriculum

EXTRA-CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES

- **Parochial Athletic League:** Boys- Flag Football, Basketball, Lacrosse, and Volleyball; Girls-Volleyball, Basketball, Lacrosse, Softball and Spirit Squad; Co-Ed —Track & Field and Soccer
- Campus Ministry
- Advisory Program
- MS Choir
- Spring Musical
- Homework Club
- Christmas Concert
- Knights of Columbus Annual Writing Contest

