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10114 Highway 6
Hitchcock / Santa Fe
(409) 925-3224

Our Mission:

Developing academically proficient students who are morally, spiritually, physically and socially empowered.

School Pledge:

I am a student of Our Lady of Lourdes School; I come to school to learn; I will learn; I will have a good day.

Ages taught:

- Pre-Kindergarten 3 year old*
- Pre-Kindergarten 4 year old*
- Kindergarten*
- First through Sixth grade
- 8:00am – 3:00 pm (doors open at 6:30am, 2:00pm dismissal on Fridays)

Leadership, Faculty and Staff:

Fr. John Kappe, the Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, provides oversight for the school’s spiritual development, academic progress and financial stability.

Principal – Mr. Routh is beloved in this community as a retired public school principal and coach. His 41 years experience in administration, teaching and coaching provides incomparable leadership.

Pre-K and Kindergarten - Mrs. Sireno and Mrs. Slanina have taught early childhood for over 45 and 30 years respectively. They each hold early childhood specialization and their dedication and excellence in teaching this age is known throughout the area. Of note, they co-authored the early childhood curriculum, which is still used today in the Galveston-Houston Archdiocese.

First through Sixth – All faculty are experienced and hold appropriate teaching certifications. We have a complimentary mixture of experienced and recently graduated faculty. Several teachers also hold special catechist formation certification and remain current through continuing education.

First	Ms. Smith		Fourth	Ms. Ringley
Second	Ms. Lopez		Fifth	(To be announced)
Third	Mrs. Gonzalez		Sixth	Mr. Priest
Religion/PE	Mrs. Minor		Computer	Mrs. Nelson

Librarian – Mrs. LeCompte competently organizes and administers our library using the fully automated online Library of Congress.

Office – Our administration is supported by Mrs. Crawford, who has been at our school for over 19 years. She serves as the initial contact with parents, liaison with the Parish office, and coordinates a multitude of services with proficiency and skill.

Extended Day – Before and after school program director, Mrs. Scarborough, holds a graduate degree in behavioral science and provides supervision of age-appropriate play and activities. Her experience in teaching a variety of arts and crafts enhances the after school activities.

Curriculum:

Fully accredited through Texas Education Agency (TEA) – same accreditation as public schools.

Religion – Faith formation includes the importance of prayer, studying Gods’ word and putting faith into action. Each class spends 30 minutes daily and attends Church service at least once per week. This totals over 120 hours per year! Much more than what children receive in weekly evening or Sunday faith formation. Also, keep in mind that children of all faiths are welcome and religion classes teach core values central in all Christian faiths.

Early childhood – *Developmentally appropriate framework of structured, dynamic, age-appropriate lessons modified based on needs of student and in preparation for expectations of next grade level. All subject areas are included: Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies.

Academics – Reading, English, Science, Social Studies and Mathematics are all taught according to current, established criteria and curriculum guidelines. Along with our regular reading program, we offer Accelerated Reading and a special after-school dyslexia program. All students participate in the Stanford Achievement Test.

Tutoring – Teachers offer free tutorials before and after school based on student needs.

Curriculum enhancement – Accelerated Math, Science Fair projects, History Fair projects, Computer Literacy, Texas Math League Competitions, Environmental Camp (Camp Kappe), Special Guests, Health Programs, Local field trips, Star Base Aeronautics Camp, to name a few.

Library – Books and resources number over 7,800 including references, autobiographies, novels, easy readers, DVDs, and other learning media.

Physical Education – State required structured physical activities for 30 minutes daily.

Fine Arts – Art and crafts embellish our hallways and school plays provide venues for budding entertainers at Christmas and throughout the year.

Recess – Through play, students develop the necessary social skills in interacting with others, which are essential in the classroom and later in life. Fifteen minutes daily of unstructured play provides this opportunity.

Before and After School Programs for Students:

Extended Day Program

6:30 to 7:45 am (free of charge)

3:15 to 6:00 pm (begins at 2:15pm on Fridays)

Direct supervision on school grounds with indoor and outdoor play and activities including games, art, crafts, playground and indoor entertainment. Our playground area includes modern equipment directly adjacent to school building and a covered Pavilion on Parish grounds also provides an adjacent venue for play.

Fine Arts – Students may enroll in weekly art classes taught on site by a professional artist. Award winning entries in local art contests include the Houston and Galveston County Fairs.

Environment:

Class size - Small classes with approximately 20 students for each grade level, sometimes less. This provides more teacher/student interaction, allowing conscious attention to student’s academic and social development.

Behavior - A holistic approach to behavior expectations includes student, teacher, parent, and administration working together for the betterment of the child. All contribute when behavior improvement planning is needed.

Daily assembly – Pledge to both American and Texas flags, prayer, bible scripture, announcements, thought for the day and School Pledge.

Community Service Projects – Ronald McDonald House, Knit a Square for African Orphans, Food Drives, Donations to the poor and missions,

Social Activities – Thanksgiving Feast, Fat Tuesday Pancake Breakfast, Las Posadas, Chinese New Year, Rodeo Roundup, Grandparents Day, Easter Egg Hunt

Annual Events – Halloween Carnival (October), Veteran’s Day Celebration (November), Christmas Program (December), Catholic School Week (January), Book Fair (January), Mardi Gras (February), Week of the Young Child (April), Galveston County Fair and Rodeo (April), Award Assemblies (May) and Parish Bazaar Kiddie Midway (June).

Home and School:

The Home and School Association is a parent and teacher organization whose aim is to assist and support the educational needs of the school. All parents are encouraged to be actively involved. Activities during the school year include a community Halloween carnival, and other fundraisers which support school activities such as Breakfast with parents, and the purchase of items for the school/faculty.

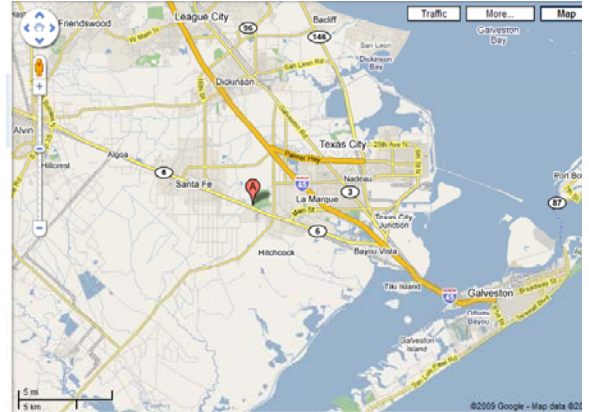
How to find us:

10114 Hwy 6, Hitchcock, Texas 77563-4515

Conveniently located 5 minutes from Interstate 45 on Highway 6 between Hitchcock (FM 2004) and Santa Fe (FM 646).

Our school building is located behind the Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. The school building is adjacent to Madonna Hall and a large covered Pavilion, both of which serve as venues for outside-the-classroom activities. The school building hosts classrooms, computer lab and our administrative offices.

Prospective families should call the office to schedule a tour.



Tuition and Fees:

Registration fee (includes book fees)

\$225 New student Kindergarten to 6th grade (includes \$100 deposit)

\$150 Pre-Kindergarten 3 or 4 year old (includes \$100 deposit)

Monthly tuition (August through May, 10 months):

Parishoners

1 child - \$357.50

2 children - \$536.25

3 children - \$715

Non-parishoners

1 child - \$412.5

2 children - \$687.50

3 children - \$825

Tuition assistance is available based on need and offered through support from:

Diocese scholarships

Local parital scholarships

Extended Day

6:30am – 7:45am – No charge

3:00pm – 6:00pm – Monday through Thursday, \$5 per hour per child

2:00pm – 6:00pm – Monday through Thursday, \$5 per hour per child