

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Growing Leaders In Mind, Body, and Spirit

Core Knowledge Curriculum 2016-2017



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Knowledge builds on knowledge.

Every child deserves a rigorous, lively, and coherent education.





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Core Knowledge History

1986: The Core Knowledge Foundation is founded in Charlottesville, Virginia.

1990: Working committees of teachers, parents, scientists, historians, experts on America's multicultural traditions, and others convene to draft the Core Knowledge Sequence.

2008: Over 1,000 schools and preschools in 47 states and the District of Columbia teach all or part of the Core Knowledge curriculum.

1987: E.D. Hirsch publishes *Cultural Literacy*. The book sparks a national debate on education and stays on the New York Times best-seller list for over six months.

1991: Three Oaks Elementary School in Ft. Myers, Florida becomes the first Core Knowledge School. **2000:** A controlled study of schools in Oklahoma City showed that students exposed to Core Knowledge did significantly better than other students on both the Iowa Test of Basic Skills and Oklahoma Criterion Referenced tests.





Core Knowledge History

Over the six-year review period, the Core Knowledge schools performed well above the national average across the six content areas including:

- Reading
- Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Social Studies
- Environmental Studies
- Science





Coherent Cumulative

Content Specific





Coherent

What students know is a function of previous experience and teaching.

Core Knowledge establishes explicit identification of what children should learn at each grade level.





Cumulative

Clear outlines of content are designed to be learned grade by grade so that knowledge, language, and skills build cumulatively from year to year.

Sequential building of knowledge not only helps ensure that children enter each new grade ready to learn, it also helps prevent repetitions and gaps.





Content Specific

By clearly specifying important knowledge in language arts, history, geography, math, science, and the fine arts, teachers are free to devote their energies into how to teach the content in their classrooms in creative and meaningful ways.





CKLA Kits

- The Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) kits are comprehensive programs for teaching reading, writing, listening, and speaking.
- Focuses on oral language development using read-alouds as well as systematic instruction in reading and writing skills
- Continues to advance students' knowledge and vocabulary through in-depth discussions while also immersing students in complex texts and advanced writing.







Michigan and Common Core Standards

The Michigan and Common Core Standards provide our framework, or basic structure, of curriculum and instruction that takes place within each grade, in every classroom

It is the Core Knowledge Sequence that transforms this basic framework into the remarkable academic program that is found at All Saints Catholic School.







Core Knowledge Sequence

- Rich and rigorous content in a macro to micro approach
- Developmental appropriateness that spirals
- "Intellectual Velcro"







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	Civil War	Respiratory						X				X
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World War I World War II	Immigration and C	Nervous System					X					
The Cold War	The Creek Downer	Vision					x					
	The Great Depress	Hearing					X					
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The Vietnam W	Industrialization a	Sound					X					х
Conflicts in the		Magnets		Х		Х					1121	х







Teacher Year At A Glance Calendar

Academic planning is deliberate and paced out within each given school year to ensure all material is covered

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August								
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September	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	The Respiratory System
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
October	30	1	2	3	4	5	6	
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	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	Prop. Of Matter
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nper	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Elements
November	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
	25	26	27	28	29	30	1	Solutions
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	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
	30	31	1	2	3	4	5	
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
January	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Geology: Earth's Layers
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	27	28	29	30	31	1	2	
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February	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
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	24	25	26	27	28	1	2	Rocks
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
March	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Weathering and Erosion
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Core Knowledge, Differentiated Instruction, learning centers and Creative Planning posters

independent studies

large group discussion activities

surveys

research

reading buddies

tiered activities

written quizzes

one-on-one instruction

peer teaching

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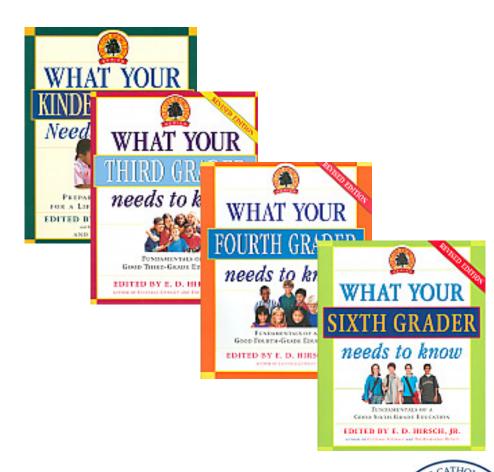
performance assessment methods

semantic webbing



Parent "Must Haves"

"At Home" companions are available for purchase to provide families with curriculum support







Ignatius Press Faith and Life Series

- A Macro to Micro Approach
 - Catholic specific curriculum endorsed by the USCCB
 - Spiraling sequence
 - Balance of developmental readiness and content rich learning in line with the Core Knowledge philosophy

