

# ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

## ENRICHMENT COURSES YEAR AT A GLANCE

### SPANISH – *All Grades*

- Primary focus on vocabulary
- Communication: Interpersonal communication, socializing, exchanging and presenting information
- Comparing English and Spanish languages and cultures
- Cultural practices and perspectives from Spanish speaking countries
- Active learning with songs, poems, games and writing

### TECHNOLOGY – *EPK 3 through 5th*

- Preschool through Kindergarten: Learning how to work independently on a computer. Includes mouse control, minimizing windows, closing programs, logging in and out, navigating appropriate websites and typing.
- First through Fifth Grade: Focus on operating software, including PowerPoint and Word. In addition to learning research, typing, 3D printing, and the basics of computer programming through coding.
- Fourth and Fifth Grades: Students will design infographics, PowerPoint presentations, video game designs, platforms and analysis and learning "Stop Motion Animation," 3D printing and film making.

### MUSIC – *All Grades*

- Preschool: Learning to sing and dance and actively enjoy music. Also learning to perform on risers for programs.
- Elementary: Utilizes Kodaly, Orff and Dalcroze methods of Music Education.
- Kindergarten: Learning to match pitch and keep a steady beat.
- First Grade: Begin to explore solfege and learn to identify music symbols.
- Second Grade: Learn the process of reading music and use this process to sing and play instruments.
- Third Grade: Learn the Recorder and work on solo and ensemble singing.
- Fourth and Fifth Grade: Examine more difficult facets of reading and writing music and begin to compose their own music.
- St. John's Choir: Composed of students in grades 3 through 5. The Choir will learn the intricacies of singing within a choir and perform weekly during chapel and within the community throughout the year.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION/ATHLETICS – *All Grades*

- Preschool through Second Grade: Strong emphasis on the development of motor skills and movement concepts including throwing, catching, running, and jumping.
- Third through Fifth Grade: Building on the fundamental skills already developed, students practice and play more sports such as basketball, volleyball, track and field activities and tennis.
- Athletics: Fourth and Fifth grade students have the opportunity to play on the St. John's tennis team as an extra-curricular activity.

### LIBRARY – *All Grades*

- All students participate in library time with stories, reading, education and research.
- Students begin checking out books in PK4
- Older students may use the online database for books to use to research for school projects.

### GODLY PLAY – *EPK3 – 5th*

- Uses the internationally acclaimed curriculum, "Godly Play," a Montessori style spiritual formation.
- Children are taught a bible story then given time and tools to reflect and learn to apply biblical teachings to their lives.
- Ecumenical in nature, Godly play is used by multiple denominations like Baptist, Methodist, Church of Christ, Catholics, Episcopalians, Presbyterians and more.

### ART – *PK4 through 5th*

- PK4 through First Grade: Experiential, collaborative art with an emphasis on basic elements of art such as line, shape, color and texture.
- Second through Fifth Grade: Begin to study art history and develop skills with new mediums and tools. Also learn more advanced elements of art like space, form, value and color theory.