

### *In the words of our students...*

#### *Christian Values*

"At St. Gabriel School we go to mass to thank God. My favorite time is when we go to mass." - Simon (gr.2)

"My favorite subject is religion because we sometimes make cards (for others). Giving cards makes me feel good. I also like hearing stories from the Bible." -Michael (gr.5)

#### *Academic Excellence*

"At St. Gabriel School, our teachers play a great role. I enjoy math class because we use the interactive white boards, which helps us learn math in an easy way." -Allison (gr.4)

"One of the great things about St. Gabriel School is the academics. My favorite subject is math because my teacher explains it well." - Jeremy (gr.5)

#### *Nurturing Environment*

"Teachers are friendly and supportive and are always happy to help." - Ben (gr.7)

"At St. Gabriel School I like all my classmates because they are kind and welcoming." - Calvin (gr. 7)

"St. Gabriel School isn't just work, it's friends and teachers. The teachers may not be our parents, but they love us." - Trinity (gr.2)

### *In the words of our families..*

We are so grateful that our sons have each received a comprehensive education during their foundational years. The true gift of Saint Gabriel School is that of a strong moral and spiritual compass. The importance of faith, human dignity, common good, justice, peace, stewardship, and active participation is inherent to the strong academic instruction. Each student carries with them the lifelong constitution that each is one within a community. As their parents, we are confident that our choice of elementary and middle school sets them on a positive course for trials of their teenager years ahead - and beyond.

*Gary & Lisa (parents of a gr. 7 student)*

My kindergartner looks forward to school and learning every day. He not only is learning and progressing quickly; he is having fun while doing so. St. Gabriel has already instilled a love of learning and of God in him. Not a day goes by that I am not thankful that he attends such a wonderful school.

*Scott & Maureen (parents of a gr. 2 student)*

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## Saint Gabriel School



## Welcome to Preschool



A US Department  
of Education  
2011 National Blue Ribbon  
School  
of Excellence

St. Gabriel School is fully accredited by the New  
England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC).

[www.StGabrielSchool.org](http://www.StGabrielSchool.org)

## Curriculum Overview

Pre-K3 is often a child's and parent's first school experience. The purpose of our program is to provide opportunities for learning for young children in a caring and nurturing environment, where they can grow socially, spiritually, emotionally, intellectually and physically. Students learn phonemic awareness skills, letter and number recognition, mathematical concepts, science and religion through hands on games and activities, in small, whole group and one-on-one guidance from teachers. We recognize the individual strengths and abilities of each child and encourage growth and exploration. Specific standards covered in the pre-kindergarten curriculum can be found on the Office of Catholic Schools website: [www.catholicsschoolsct.org](http://www.catholicsschoolsct.org).

### Typical School Day for Pre-K:

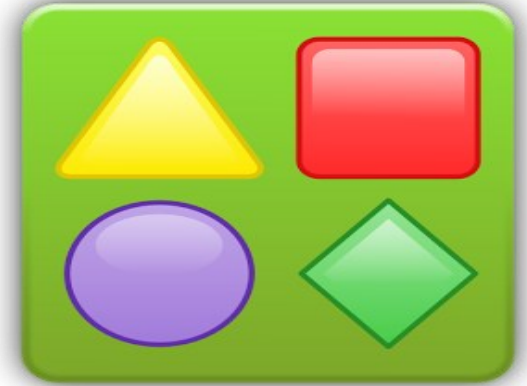
- ◆ Morning Meeting (calendar, weather, show & share)
- ◆ Religion
- ◆ Outside/Inside Play
- ◆ Snack
- ◆ Story Time
- ◆ Small Groups/Rotating Learning Centers
- ◆ Free Choice Play
- ◆ Lunch
- ◆ Afternoon Rest Period (full day students only)
- ◆ Enrichment Activities
- ◆ Specials: Music, Art, Spanish, Gym, Library

## 3 Year Old Program

In our 3 year old program, students participate in small group and one-on-one activities to be introduced to letters, numbers, shapes, colors, among other mathematics and literacy skills. Activities appeal to children's natural curiosity and observations of the world around them. In our classroom you will see students using a variety of manipulatives and tools to practice what they are learning.

## 4 Year Old Program

Our 4 year old program uses the reading series, *Opening the World of Learning*, and the writing program, *Handwriting Without Tears*. Through OWL, students learn skills through thematic units. Students build on oral language and background knowledge by discussing concepts that relate to each weekly theme. They practice naming and identifying both upper and lowercase letters of the alphabet, as well as letter sounds, rhyming, initial sounds, and learn how to write letters and numbers. Similar to the 3 year old program, in mathematics activities and lessons, students participate in hands on exploration of numbers, combining sets, shape and color recognition, and measurement. Our Pre-K4 program is designed as a school readiness program in order to best prepare children and enhance self confidence for Kindergarten, and to help cultivate a life-long love of learning. In Religion, we use the series, *Stories of God's Love* to introduce students to gospel readings that apply to their personal lives. Students learn that Jesus is their friend and how we grow closer to God. We encourage sharing, cooperation and socialization. Children engage in free play, using any of the toys located in the room, as well as activities set up at individual tables and the sensory table. We strive to have developmentally appropriate expectations throughout the year. Our goal is a positive growth experience for your child—and for you!



## Fees and Schedule

Full day 8:00-2:45 M-F.....	\$5,500
Full day 8:00-2:45 3 days (M, W, F).....	\$3,666
Half day 8:00-12:30 M-F.....	\$3,924
Half day 8:00-12:30 3 days (M, W, F).....	\$2,354

Also available daily:

Before Care Program 7:00-8:00.....	\$7 per day
After Care Program 2:45-6:00.....	\$16 per day

