



## 8th GRADE SPECIALS

Art Music/Band Latin

Physical Education

# 8th GRADE HIGHLIGHTS

Confirmation

Mock Trials

DC Trip

Math Counts

Student Council

Stone Lab Field Trip- Put in Bay
Family Group Leader
Passion Play
1st Grade Buddies
Engineering Fair
Kings Island Trip
Quiz Team

# WELCOME TO EIGHTH GRADE

# **EIGHTH GRADE ACADEMICS**

### In Eighth Grade RELIGION the students will

- Prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation.
- Read the Acts of the Apostles and apply its lessons to our daily lives.
- Serve as role-models by leading Family Groups and working with our first grade buddies.
- Prepare and perform the Passion Play.
- Discuss how to apply our faith in the everyday life of modern teens.

### In Eighth Grade MATH the students will

- Learn about the properties of triangles and the Pythagorean Theorem.
- Study numbers that are not rational, and approximate them by rational numbers.
- Understand the connections between proportional relationships, lines, and linear equations.
- Define, evaluate, and compare functions.
- Understand congruence and similarity of polygons.
- Solve real-world problems involving the volume of 3 dimensional shapes.

### In Eighth Grade READING & LANGUAGE ARTS the students will

- Read and analyze elements of fiction and nonfiction.
- Write for a variety of purposes: Informative, Narrative, Argumentative
- · Build research skills through reading and writing.
- Expand vocabulary through a structured vocabulary program and through a wide variety of literature.
- Master public speaking through writing and delivering a formal speech.

### In Eighth Grade SCIENCE and HEALTH the students will

- Focus on physics, and Earth and life sciences.
- Study the Earth, forces and motion, and species and reproduction.
- Explore the many facets of physical, mental, and social health.
- Examine the importance of nutrition, fitness and consumer health.
- Supplement course studies with lab activities: K'Nex Engineering, Erosion and Deposition, Topographic Mining, Earthquake Simulation, Laws of Motion Rocket Lab, Mitosis Lab, and Forensics Science.

### In Eighth Grade SOCIAL STUDIES the students will

- Focus on American History and Government from 1600 to 1945.
- Read historical primary and secondary sources and analyze maps.
- Conduct mock trials and convention simulations to better understand how the American government and legal system works.
- Examine the Constitution and its founding principles.
- Discover and analyze patterns and trends linking early American history with the present day.