



Pre-Kindergarten

The preschool program seeks to nurture the innate sense of wonder in each girl about herself and her world, and to help her cultivate an awareness that she is special - a gift from God. Throughout her preschool years she is guided in a loving, Christian atmosphere that is rooted in the mission of Sacred Heart education and is sensitive to her ability and potential. A developmental curriculum emphasizes the joy of discovery and enables her to develop a positive self-concept, optimistic attitude toward learning, and essential readiness skills.

Encouraging creativity is a priority in the preschool. Active participation in supervised lessons, activities and self-directed play facilitate motivated, meaningful learning in the early years. Learning centers where each girl is free to explore individual interests, exercise initiative, take risks, cultivate peer relationships, and develop resourcefulness and responsibility, provide the setting for individual and small group instruction. In addition to language arts lessons, storytelling, dramatic role playing, and relating and recording of personal experiences enhance language development. Blocks, puzzles, and games promote problem-solving skills and compliment sessions in math and science.

School success is largely dependent upon proper placement in the earliest years. Teachers and administrators carefully monitor each student's progress and communicate regularly with parents.

Three day and five day options are available for Pre-K 3. Pre-K 4 and Kindergarten classes are five days a week. School hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. After care is available for students in need of that service.

Children entering Pre-Kindergarten 3 and 4 must be three and four years respectively, by September 1. Children entering Kindergarten must be five years old by September 1.

The Academy is accredited by the following organizations:

Accreditation and Membership

- Network of Sacred Heart Schools
- Independent Schools Association of the Southwest
- Louisiana State Department of Education

Administration

Sr. Lynne Lieux, RSCJ, Headmistress
Sr. Maureen Little, RSCJ - Head of the Elementary School
Mrs. Angela Hymel, Dean of Students

Tours and Visitations

The Academy welcomes families who are interested in learning more about Sacred Heart education. Individual tours are available by appointment. Applicants are encouraged to visit with their prospective class. Visitation days must be scheduled in advance through the Office of Admission.