



Lower School Overview

Opportunity

It's what every child wants.

The opportunity to learn in a safe, supportive environment.

The opportunity to explore interests and develop talents.

The opportunity to develop relationships with others and with God.

The opportunity to succeed.

St. Anne-Pacelli is a college preparatory, preschool through 12th grade, Catholic school dedicated to giving children these opportunities and more.

FUN FACT

Our current students travel from 10 counties in Alabama and Georgia to attend school at St. Anne-Pacelli. It's worth the drive!



OPPORTUNITY TO *Learn*

Learn is a verb and should be active. It's more than multiple choice questions and memorization. To be successful, students need to develop the ability to think critically, solve problems creatively and communicate confidently.

St. Anne-Pacelli Preschool gives children a strong base, as students learn colors, shapes, numbers, letters and letter sounds. Interactive and creative play sparks imaginations. Our youngest Vikings also enjoy daily Spanish lessons!

Pre-K4 - 2nd grades focus heavily on developing strong Reading, Writing and Math skills. Students also enjoy units in Science, Social Studies and daily Religion. Teachers use small group activities so students can get extra help or extra challenge, depending on their needs.

In 3rd-5th grades, students have daily classes in English Language Arts, Reading, Math, Science Social Studies and Religion. They develop organizational skills by being more responsible for keeping up with their assignments, using a Chromebook, changing classes and using lockers.

Pre-K4 through 5th graders enjoy weekly special classes, such as Art, PE, Spanish, Science Lab, Music and Media Center.

We Make Learning Fun!

Learning comes to life when our 3rd graders create a Living Wax Museum. They research a historical figure, make a display, and present speeches about their figure's contribution to history. →





OPPORTUNITY TO *Create*

*"Fine art is that in which the hand, the head, and heart of man go together."
-John Ruskin*

We couldn't agree more!

Art, Drama and Music not only inspire imagination but also help children develop fine motor skills, learn to be comfortable in front of an audience and allow for individual expression.

In preschool, the little Vikings enjoy lots of classroom art projects as well as music and movement time. Pre-K4 through 5th graders have weekly Art and Music classes. Art goes beyond drawing and painting to ceramics and other three-dimensional creations. Students develop an appreciation for music through singing, playing rhythm instruments, learning about composers and experiencing different types of music.

Students are able to display their talents during events such as an Art Show and Christmas Program.



OPPORTUNITY TO *Discover*

From building with blocks, to building robots, the early years are a time for children to explore how things work, discover their interests, learn to predict outcomes and more. That's why we have plenty of interactive centers, STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) kits in classrooms and a state-of-the-art Science and Technology Lab. Educational field trips also enhance learning, beginning in Pre-K4.

Visits to the media center not only help foster a love of reading but also introduce students to computers. There are classroom sets of iPads and Chromebooks as well as interactive ViewSonic boards to help integrate technology into classroom lessons. Stop in a classroom and you might find students on a video chat with a famous author, testing out a Math game they designed or even covered in slime!



Fun Fact

With an average class size of 18, our elementary school students aren't lost in the shuffle. Our teachers believe every student can be successful and are available before and after school for extra help.



OPPORTUNITY TO *Play*

Just like the mind needs to be nurtured, we must also develop the body. Preschool through 5th grade students enjoy outside, active play each day. Beginning in Pre-K4, children also have weekly Physical Education classes to practice gross motor skills and learn games and sports.

To spark interest in sports, our Viking Athletics program offers camps and intramural sports such as cheerleading and basketball for younger students. Competitive sports begin in 3rd grade with tennis. In addition to tennis, 5th graders can participate in our middle school's Cross Country and Golf Teams.





OPPORTUNITY TO *Give*

At St. Anne-Pacelli, we believe we are called to use our gifts and talents to help others. One hundred percent of students are engaged in service to their school, church and community. Whether it's 4th graders writing letters to deployed soldiers or Kindergarten students delivering needed items to families at the Ronald McDonald House, Vikings are making the world a better place.



OPPORTUNITY TO *Pray*

Starting every morning with prayer sets a positive tone for the day. Students are reminded of God's love as they have Religion time in their daily schedules. Pre-K4 through 5th grade students attend church once a week. Catholic students are able to prepare for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion in 2nd grade as part of the Religion curriculum.

St. Anne-Pacelli welcomes students of other religions and encourages those students to grow stronger in their faiths. Being guided by teachings of Jesus Christ makes our hallways a loving, forgiving place where children find comfort and peace.



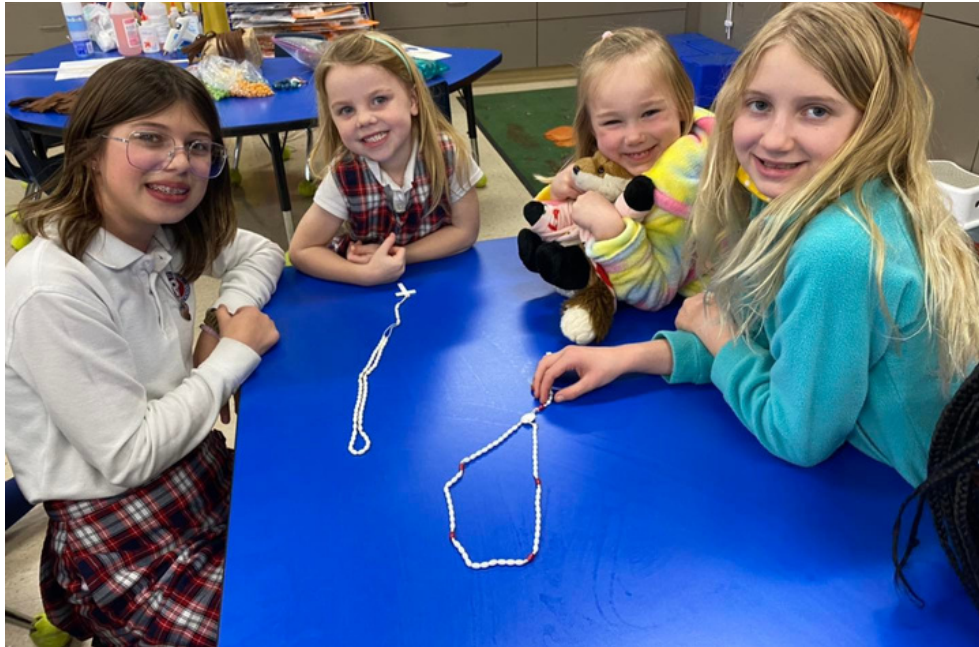
Just as Jesus washed the feet of His disciples, Pre-K4 students wash their classmates' feet on Holy Thursday.

OPPORTUNITY TO *Lead*

Leaders are made from experience. St. Anne-Pacelli is committed to giving students chances to demonstrate leadership.

Beginning in preschool, children may have classroom jobs such as door holder or teacher helper. Older students hone their leadership skills by heading up a group project, running for Student Council, participating in a club, or serving with Safety Patrol.

A hallmark of a Viking is that they feel safe to try new things - and even make mistakes - gaining the experience they need to be great leaders.





OPPORTUNITY TO *Shine*

"Family" is the word you will most often hear when asking students and parents about St. Anne-Pacelli Catholic School. The Viking Family is about everyone working together, deeply committed to helping every child reach his or her potential. The results?

St. Anne-Pacelli students outperform national norms in every grade in all subject areas on Measurement of Academic Progress (MAP) Testing. They consistently place in Reading Bowls, essay contests, spelling bees, Robotics and Math Team meets. They are not afraid to try new things and let their lights shine!



Want to join the fun?

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