

What's New?

at St. Joseph Catholic School?

Differentiated Instruction!

Here at St. Joseph Catholic School, our classrooms are not "one size fits all". Our teachers are learning how to apply the latest techniques in Differentiated Instruction in their classrooms. This will challenge each student so that he/she is academically challenged according to their highest aptitude level. Want to know more about how Differentiated Instruction will benefit YOUR child? Ask your child's teacher or come to an Open House to see for yourself!

What is it?

- A professional way of teaching that requires the teacher to prepare a diverse set of learning materials.
- Assignments are specific to each student's skill level.
- Differentiated Instruction makes it possible to maximize the learning potential for all students.
- Most teachers naturally differentiate to some degree. The more differentiated a classroom is, the more its students feel successful and motivated, resulting in higher student achievement.

Is it used at St. Joseph Catholic School?

Our teachers are learning about the Differentiated Instruction methodology and are beginning to put new techniques into practice. It is already in use in our multi-age classroom of students in grades 2 and 3. By the time the new school year begins in the Fall of 2012, we will have Differentiated Instruction implemented in all our classrooms!

For more information, go to www.sde.com/di/index.asp.

