

ART

The purposes and objectives of art education are:

- to develop children's visual perception and to increase their awareness of the environment and their relationship to it;
- to give children the opportunity to express themselves using a variety of materials;
- to expose children to art in a historical and cultural context;
- and to develop aesthetic discrimination through the evaluation of visual art forms..

The art program serves the broad purposes and objectives of the school by broadening the knowledge and experiences of all students. It encourages students to think critically and creatively. It enables students to develop individual skills and abilities, encourages students to develop independence and self-reliance through creative problem solving activities, and aids in developing positive self-concepts.

MUSIC

The purpose and objectives of the Music Program are to enable children to realize the joy of music, and to appreciate and enjoy a variety of music. The Orff methods used in the Christ Episcopal School music program help to encourage creativity, self-expression, and knowledge of music.

Since this is a Christian school, learning particular psalms, hymns, and melodies that are scriptural is emphasized. Music instruction gives students the opportunity to develop creative minds, and it exposes them to a solid background in music that will give them the foundation they need to develop a life-long love of good music.

SPANISH

The purpose and objectives of the Spanish department are to enrich the lives of the students through challenging them to comprehend and communicate a second language in an atmosphere that stimulates their cognitive, affective and psychological development.

The Spanish program supports the school in its objectives of ensuring opportunities for children to develop intellectually and socially by offering a program that broadens them intellectually and that provides information about another culture.

TECHNOLOGY

The purpose of the Technology Program is to teach students basic computer and keyboarding skills. Student's have access to a 19 station networked Pentium PC lab. Beginning in the upper elementary grades, students are given the opportunity to learn how to use the Internet for research purposes and to communicate with others through e-mail.

Technology has become a major tool in today's world. Therefore, to truly provide a "superior" education as stated in the school's mission statement technology education is essential. Students need to learn computer skills to be competitive in informational technology. In addition, students need to know how to access the vast amount of information that can be found through the use of the Internet.