

Religion Curriculum

K-8

Diocese of Salt Lake City
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Introduction

The Catholic schools of the Diocese of Salt Lake City educate young people in a Christian community by providing an environment in which they can integrate Catholic values, beliefs and traditions into their lives.

The teaching of religion is done in partnership with the parents who are the primary educators of their children. Religion is not a class taught. It is a gospel lived, a message and way of being and acting that is integrated into the total curriculum. The Christian community (parents, parishioners, teachers and staff) support the young person in this way of life.

The Catholic faith is taught to all students - Catholics and non-Catholics. It is an expectation that all students participate in the religious activities of the school to the extent they are permitted by the Catholic Church or their own religion.

“It is the special function of the Catholic school to:

- develop in the school community an atmosphere animated by a spirit of liberty and charity;
- enable young people, while developing their own personality, to grow at the same time in that new life which has been given them in baptism;
- orient the whole of human culture to the message of salvation.”

#259-260 General Directory for Catechesis

Teachers, administrators, and staff give witness to the Catholic faith and how it is lived out. Their position in the school is a ministry of the Church that carries out the mission of the Catholic Church –

Jesus approached the disciples and said, “All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” Matthew 28:18-20

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Grades K-1-2 Primary Level

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Grades 3-4-5 Intermediate Level

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Grades 6-7-8 Middle School Level

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