



# A COMMUNITY OF FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE

## VALLEY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### CALLED BY A MISSION

Valley Catholic School, sharing in the mission of the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon, fosters a faith-filled community of lifelong learners and compassionate leaders committed to living out Catholic values and following Jesus' example through prayer, service, and love.

### CALLED TO LEARN & GROW

Guided by our school's mission, our caring faculty and staff work to ensure that our students grow both spiritually and intellectually. Our curriculum, built upon a foundation of Catholic values, challenges our students, sets them up for success, and lays the groundwork for the college-prep classes at Valley Catholic Middle and High School.

These are just some of the offerings that set our school apart:

- Stand-alone science program for 4th and 5th grades taught in our brand-new science facilities
- Advanced math classes for accelerated 4th and 5th grade students
- Violin instruction for all 4th graders
- Full-day kindergarten
- Projectors and document cameras in all of our classrooms to enhance and support our curriculum
- Three computer labs to provide students the opportunity to develop technology skills and do research
- Social skills and conflict resolution taught by our school counselor
- Academic support provided by our learning specialist
- Access to private music lessons through Valley Catholic Music School
- Opportunity to participate in a variety of music ensembles: choir, orchestra, and handbells
- A buddy program that builds school community by partnering our older students with our younger students
- Opportunity to continue, on the same campus, into our Middle and High School



Students also have the chance to broaden their interests and challenge themselves in activities outside the classroom. Some of our students choose to serve our community through our active Student Council, while others find passion through our many after-school offerings. Others are attracted to and enjoy our CYO sports program, which includes football, volleyball, basketball, swimming, track, and lacrosse.



## PREPARING STUDENTS FOR THE FUTURE

Throughout their time with us, our students learn to be productive, responsible, and caring citizens of our world. When they leave our school, our students will be:

### *Faith Witnesses who:*

- Pray and worship God
- Know scripture and Catholic social teaching
- Show respect for God's creation
- Participate in a faith community

### *Lifelong Learners who:*

- Demonstrate a strong foundation in all subjects
- Use critical thinking and problem solving skills
- Exhibit knowledge of the fine arts
- Recognize and develop habits of healthy living

### *Responsible Citizens who:*

- Accept responsibility for their actions
- Demonstrate positive interactions with others
- Contribute to the community
- Respect human differences

### *Effective Communicators who:*

- Express ideas clearly
- Work together to achieve a common goal
- Listen respectfully
- Use technology appropriately



## OUR CAMPUS COMMUNITY

Our new state-of-the-art building, dedicated in the fall of 2011, finds its home on the beautiful 43-acre campus of the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon and is home to both our Elementary School and Middle School. Valley Catholic Early Learning School, which serves infants through preschoolers and provides after-school care for students up to fifth grade, is located next door. Across from our new home is Valley Catholic High School, and just to the south is Maryville Nursing Home, another ministry of the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon. Over their years with us, our students have multiple opportunities to interact with our campus neighbors.