



## Student and Parent Interview

Part of the selection process for Valley Catholic Middle School requires that each applicant either visits Valley Catholic Middle School for one school day or attends a student and parent interview at the school.

### **Are current VCES students required to schedule a student and parent interview?**

As a general rule, current VCES students and parents do not need to schedule an interview. VCES students are already part of the SSMO campus school system. Current VCES fifth-grade students are not required to schedule an interview or to spend a day at VCMS provided that the applicant meets the academic and behavioral requirements of Valley Catholic Middle School. In some cases, an interview may be scheduled for a current VCES student if there are additional issues that need to be addressed prior to acceptance into VCMS.

### **What happens at the student and parent interview?**

The interview will last around fifteen minutes and will give us the opportunity to meet you and your parent/s.

Once we begin the interview, we will ask you if you would like to have your parents there for the entire interview or only for the last few minutes.

We will ask you about your favorite subject, your hobbies and even people who have influenced your life so that we can begin to know you.

We will discuss your participation in all religious activities, including religion classes, prayer services, service projects, and masses.

We will provide time for you to ask any questions you might have about Valley Catholic.

Finally, we may ask you about your current school year and most recent report card.

### **What can you do to prepare?**

We recommend that you read the Valley Catholic School mission statement (on the application) and the *Introduction to Valley Catholic Middle School* booklet. This will allow you to understand our educational philosophy and raise any questions you may have prior to being accepted.

Relax! We want to know who you are. The student interviews are simply another way for us to allow for communication during the admission process.