

Welcome to a new school year! On behalf of the administration, faculty and staff of Holy Rosary-St. Richard Catholic School, I welcome you to our great school. Our school campus is located between the Village of Palmetto Bay, and Cutler Bay. Holy Rosary St. Richard was established in 1959 and is a Parochial Catholic School of the Archdiocese of Miami serving students from PK2-8th grade.

Holy Rosary-St. Richard Catholic School is fully accredited by the Florida Catholic Conference and affiliated with the Association of Independent Schools of South Florida.

It is our commitment to provide the very finest in spiritual, academic, and moral preparation for every student. Our curriculum is set forth by the Archdiocese of Miami Department of Schools and is based on best practices. The curriculum is implemented in a challenging and motivational manner that prepares students to thrive in an increasingly global society. The highly qualified faculty and administration are certified by the state of Florida in their areas of expertise and are committed to the teaching of Catholic values in a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment of academic excellence.

Throughout the school year, teachers focus on making global connections within each subject. Students investigate the world, communicate ideas, take meaningful actions, and make a difference. Students are immersed in an environment of learning, filled with exciting and engaging activities. In our unique setting, families from around the world come together to create a dynamic school setting which values differences, while nurturing the minds and hearts of its students.

Our bilingual program becomes further integrated into our students' daily academic life. We are the first Catholic School in the state of Florida that implements a dual language curriculum in English and Spanish. We are proud to work with The Roche Center for Catholic Education from Boston College TWIN-CS to implement this program. In the academic year 2017-2018 we offer the bilingual curriculum from PK2 - 1<sup>st</sup> grade and we will continue to grow with a grade level every year.

We also have a Special Education Program for grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> with a low teacher/student ratio. Through perseverance and dedication, we fully commit ourselves to provide the tools, essential skills, knowledge, and values with compassion to assist young minds in realizing their potential to the fullest extent. We provide direct intensive instruction with interventions and strategies to meet the needs of each student in the program. We nurture individuals to value themselves and others and provide an educational foundation that enables students to have the ability to think, communicate, create and apply their learning experiences throughout their lifetime.

Not only do our students participate in rigorous academic program, HRSR, after-school-care program compliments the day program with exciting course offerings such as cooking, music, dance, science club and its own Television station. I also encourage you to come out and support our sports teams. Holy Rosary St. Richard Catholic School is an active member of the All Catholic Conference, competing in sports with other Archdiocesan Schools.

Please browse our website, to see many students centered events and activities that regularly take place in our school. You will also see a school community striving for excellence in all that it does and dedicated to the success and care of its children. We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children achieve their highest potential. Together we will inspire creativity in minds that think and hearts that care!

Again, thank you to explore our website. Please come and visit our beautiful campus.