



St. Michael Academy

JUNIOR HIGH ENRICHMENT



Preparing for a Classical High School Experience!

Beginning in 2019, SMA welcomed 7th and 8th graders into its student body, offering them an innovative junior high school model that allows them time to adjust to the academic rigor of a classical curriculum prior to high school. Research shows that a “7-8-9” school model creates a more nurturing environment, provides leadership opportunities for 9th graders, and helps address contemporary teen problems.

7th GRADE

- Theology: Old Testament, Intro to Catholicism
- Literature, Writing, History: The Middle Ages
- Geography: Middle East, North Africa, Europe
- Intro to Latin - Logic - Science
- Mathematics: Pre-Algebra
- Fine Arts: Music, Art, Drama

...a few “Great Books” for 7th Graders

- Avi, *Crispin: The Cross of Lead*
- Willard, *Son of Charlemagne*
- Tolkien, *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*
- DeWohl, *St. Joan the Girl Soldier*
- Mills, *The Book of the Middle Ages*

8th GRADE

- Theology: New Testament, Intro to Catholicism
- Literature, Writing, History: America
- Geography: The Americas
- Latin - Intro to Grammar - Science
- Mathematics: Pre-Algebra or Algebra 1
- Fine Arts: Music, Art, Drama

...a few “Great Books” for 8th Graders

- Twain, *Adventures of Tom Sawyer*
- Dickens, *A Christmas Carol*
- Stowe, *Uncle Tom’s Cabin*
- Crane, *The Red Badge of Courage*
- The United States Constitution