



St. Robert Bellarmine at-a-glance:

- **Faith-centered parish and school community** where faculty, staff, families, and students work together so children can flourish.
- **Tiny Tots for 2 year olds** weekly enrichment sessions for children and their caregiver.
- **Preschool for 3 and 4 year olds** with flexible full- and part-time options to fit your needs and schedule.
- **Excellent curriculum** designed to meet the needs of the whole child and lay the foundation for lifelong learning. Student test scores exceed national averages year after year.
- **Highly-qualified and dedicated faculty**, with years of experience, many with advanced degrees and certifications.
- **Community service** built into our school curriculum to incorporate our Christian values into everything we do.
- **Extended Day Program (EDP)** offers supervised and safe before and after school care to accommodate your family's schedule.
- **Summer program** includes STEM and sports-based camps to appeal to a variety of students.
- **Enrichment programs** onsite, before and after school programming that includes art, scouting, science and Disney® club, piano, band, and more.
- **Athletics program** Little and Junior Bruins for students in PK4-grade 3 and our Bruins sports program for students in grades 4-8 to teach good sportsmanship, team building, and sports skills.



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Tiny Tots

Our Tiny Tots program is our weekly program for 2 year olds that includes arts, crafts, and story time with our preschool teachers followed by supervised Open Gym time. Activities are designed to familiarize children with their letters and numbers and improve fine motor skills. These fun sessions lay the foundation for later development in reading, math, and provides the opportunity for social play and practice interacting with others.

Sessions are eight weeks long and open to all. Current session dates and registration forms are available from the office or website.

“As an early childhood educator, I love the journey I take each year with students. It’s exciting to watch them grow and celebrate various developmental milestones throughout the year. We also build a partnership with parents so we can work together to foster the growth of each individual child.”

Nancy Belmonte, Preschool teacher and Tiny Tots facilitator

Preschool

Our early childhood program is designed to provide a literacy-rich child-centered environment that meets the academic, emotional and social needs of all children. Preschool and pre-K classes incorporate math, reading and school readiness skills into the daily schedule. Hands-on, play-oriented learning experiences provide the foundation for academic success, preparing your child for kindergarten. Concepts of Christianity are included, teaching kindness, ethical behavior, and consideration of others.

Children must be three (PK3) or four years old (PK4) by September 1st and toilet trained.

We have flexible full-time and part-time options, allowing you to choose your days:

Half Day Program 8:15am - 11:45am

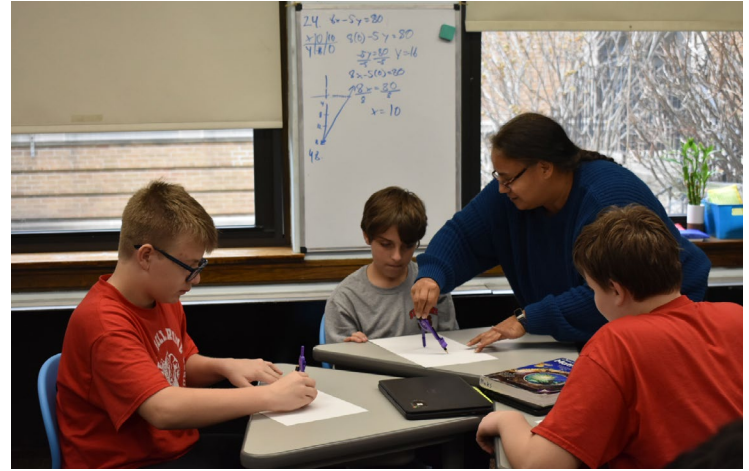
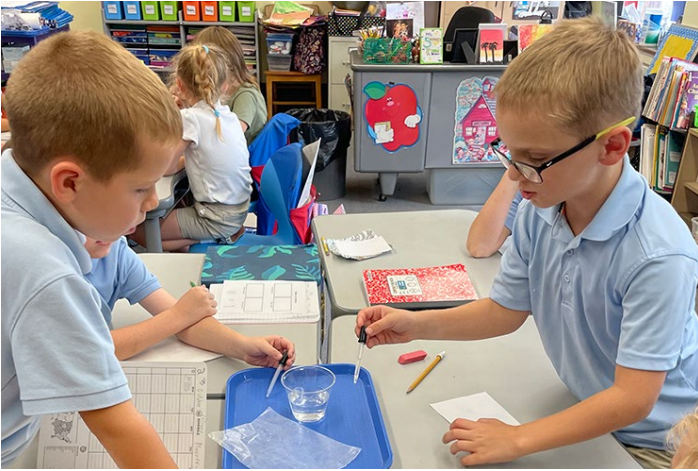
Full Day Program 8:15am - 2:50pm



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Curriculum

Our curriculum strives to meet the needs of the whole child. We nurture students as unique individuals in relationship to God, society, and the global community.

Accelerated, Title I, and resource programs address the diverse needs of our students. Our curriculum is differentiated to meet the needs of students at all levels. All students enjoy a hands-on, inquiry-based science program and study the fine arts. Students grow familiar with the products of Google suite to enhance their core subjects and build their technology skills. Regular field trips with service components allow students to apply what they are learning in class to the real world.

Our students graduate with competitive academic skills to allow them to attend the high school of their choice.

“Instead of pursuing gifted or magnet programs, we decided to enroll our children at St. Robert Bellarmine. SRB has provided a challenging academic environment for them plus a great community for all of us.”

Parent of four SRB students

Faculty

Our teachers and curriculum prepare students for the challenges of high school and a lifetime of learning in a changing world. A personal connection between student and teacher, as well as group interaction with peer-to-peer mentoring are hallmarks of our program.

Thanks to our small environment, teachers and administration get to know your child to best support them, with parents as key partners in their success. Our teachers are the heart and soul of our school and we are proud to call them faculty.

The founding teachers at our school—the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur—cemented the values, total child philosophy, and parent-school-child partnership that we still believe in today. Our current faculty includes both new and veteran teachers that support one another and work together well as team. A commitment to their professional development ensures continuous learning and improvement, staying current on teaching trends, social/emotional supports, and other techniques to manage a well run classroom.



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EDP

Our Extended Day Program (EDP) provides before and after-school care in a supervised, safe, and fun environment for students. Students are grouped by age and participate in a variety of activities to accommodate working parents' schedules.

To offer a good balance of structured activities and free play, EDP afternoons include snack time and free time, homework assistance, gym activities, supervised outdoor free play, crafts, LEGO® building, and more.

Rates are reasonable and we offer discounts for additional children in the family. More detail and current rates can be found on the school website.

Morning EDP opens at 7am

Afternoon EDP available until 6pm

Summer Program

Summer programming includes our STEAM-based camp to grow science, technology, engineering, and math skills through fun and interactive activities. Experiments and other group projects encourage creativity and curiosity while preventing 'brain drain' over the summer months. This is a great option for students who might need a little boost or enjoy a good challenge. Previous topics have included learning about hurricanes, building roller coasters, exploring the solar system, and assembling a dinosaur skeleton!

We also offer sports-based camps for our high-energy and athletic students to develop or build upon their skills, such as our popular Volleyball camp for students in grades 5-8. Camp is led by our physical education teacher.

"I look forward to this program each year because I get to learn and explore right along with them! The memories we make in our short time together are priceless."

Rosie Levin, Summer STEAM Program Leader



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Athletics

Our Physical Education program includes a variety of sport and play-based activities to inspire a healthy lifestyle and lifelong participation in fitness. Students learn the importance of teamwork, practice, and good sportsmanship while having a great time with friends.

Students in grades 4-8 can join our Bruins teams for Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Soccer, Softball, Track & Field, and Volleyball. Our teams compete in the City Suburban Catholic League and play against other area Catholic schools.

Students in PK4 - grade 3 who are not old enough for our sports teams can participate in the Little and Junior Bruins program, which teaches teamwork, confidence and develops a love of sports through play. This is a great way to introduce your child to sports in a non-competitive and supportive environment.

Enrichment

We offer a range of enrichment programs that appeal to a variety of student ages and interests, including art classes, sports clinics, scouting, theater, band, and dance. This is the fun part of school! Students can enjoy staying active, being with friends, and learn new skills. Programs are held on site after school, and can be coordinated with EDP (Extended Day Program) to accommodate working schedules.

Options are affordable and a great way to extend the school day and help your child discover new talents and interests. Some clubs offer a performances/recitals to showcase students hard work and progress.

“Art Club provides additional opportunities for artistic experiences and creative expression outside of Art class. This year, we are working with pastels, acrylic paints, learning about perspective, and trying out some three-dimensional art!”

Donna Schroeder, Art Club facilitator



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