

# Pilgrim Lutheran

Church and School



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# Academic excellence,

## OUR PHILOSOPHY

Pilgrim Lutheran School provides a strong, faith-based academic program for each of its students, combining high academic standards with a nurturing environment for their spirits and their minds to grow.

The school uses a “whole child” approach, focusing on academic, spiritual, emotional, social and physical development based on the total well-being of the child. Pilgrim prides itself on a play-based preschool and kindergarten, high test scores and a strong high school admissions record. The curriculum is designed to maintain the highest academic standards. It assures that faith development is an integral part of the process of growth and enables students to successfully achieve a positive place for themselves in society.



## PILGRIM KIDS CARE

PILGRIM KIDS CARE is a group formed by the children of Pilgrim Lutheran Church and School to raise money for service to people in need. It originated in response to Hurricane Katrina victims and has since expanded in purpose to include community outreach and support of local charity organizations such as First Slice, Sara's Circle, and local food pantries.



with a heart.



### OTHER PROGRAMS

Students at Pilgrim also can take advantage of our many programs including:

- ▶ AN EIGHTH-GRADE CLASS TRIP
- ▶ FIELD TRIPS
- ▶ MUSICAL AND THEATRICAL PRODUCTIONS
- ▶ A NUTRITIOUS HOT LUNCH MENU
- ▶ AN EXCELLENT BEFORE- AND AFTER-SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM
- ▶ CHESS CLUB
- ▶ RUNNING CLUB



## FACULTY AND STAFF

Pilgrim's teachers are nurturing, dedicated and energetic. Pilgrim is unique in the staff's level of education, experience and consistent commitment to its students.

## PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Research continues to show a direct relationship between parental involvement and levels of excellence in education. Pilgrim has a strong tradition of welcoming parents and church members into a variety of volunteer positions.

## SPANISH PROGRAM

Pilgrim offers a Spanish language program for students in preschool through eighth grade. Students learn Spanish through music, games and conversation.

## TEST SCORES

Test scores of students attending Pilgrim Lutheran School are consistently well above national norms. The school does not believe that the ultimate measure of a child's or the school's success can be based solely on test scores. However, these scores are a reflection of the strong academic program provided.

## ART SMART

Project ARTSmart is a pilot program that teaches art appreciation and art history through a hands-on approach. Students learn about an artist, art movement or art form through a visual presentation followed by a hands-on activity using components of art such as color, texture and shape. The yearlong program culminates in an exhibition at Gallery 4300, which showcases students' best work.

## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Science is not “telling” science but “experiencing” science. Pilgrim’s science curriculum supports this through a process approach. The teachers at Pilgrim take advantage of local resources and student interest to construct lessons that excite and teach scientific skills. Pilgrim has a computer lab fully equipped with new computers, LCD projector and a SMART Board. All classrooms are wired.



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## PARENT COMMENTS

*"Challenging and engaging opportunities abound at Pilgrim. But it's the caring, nurturing atmosphere that makes our school such a unique and special place."*

*"I like the fact that Pilgrim is a strong community that teaches more than academics: responsibility, care, and a good balance between academic and emotional development."*

*"Pilgrim is a unique school with a nurturing, caring environment. The wonderful teachers and staff cultivate our children's curiosities and intellect and give them the confidence to explore the world around them. We feel that we have found the ideal educational environment at Pilgrim."*

To make an appointment for a tour of Pilgrim Lutheran,  
call school Principal David Maring at 773-477-4824.



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