

St. Brendan School

Student Learning Expectations

The students of St. Brendan School are

1) Active Christians who:

- a) Study and understand the basic foundations and teachings of the Church
- b) Participate actively in Masses and liturgical celebrations
- c) Develop a personal and spiritual relationship with God using formalized and spontaneous prayer
- d) Make moral decisions which reflect Gospel teachings and values
- e) Show respect, tolerance, and compassion for others through words and actions

2) Life-Long Learners who:

- a) Demonstrate a thorough understanding of the basic concepts in all subject areas
- b) Are active participants in their own learning including bringing life experiences to the classroom
- c) Use age-appropriate study skills and habits
- d) Investigate and make informed decisions, including those affecting physical and mental well-being
- e) Are well-rounded individuals who participate in extra curricular activities
- f) Transfer and apply academic information between subject areas and to real life experiences
- g) Seek out independent learning opportunities
- h) Think independently and are confident in their individuality and their ideas
- i) Respect themselves

3) Problem Solvers who:

- a) Evaluate their own work, recognize weaknesses, and set personal goals for progress
- b) Use effective time management skills
- c) Work independently and collaboratively to create solutions and to complete projects
- d) Resolve conflicts peacefully, respectfully, and in a timely manner
- e) Are inquisitive critical thinkers who analyze and evaluate information
- f) Cope with life's challenges using a variety of effective strategies

4) Effective Communicators who:

- a) Express ideas clearly and effectively in oral and written form
- b) Listen attentively, openly, and respectfully to the ideas of others
- c) Utilize technology for research, communication, and creative expression
- d) Demonstrate manners, social grace, and poise in all situations
- e) Have the confidence to speak before a group of people

5) Responsible Citizens who:

- a) Are aware of their rights and corresponding responsibilities, and are accountable for their actions
- b) Support and encourage their fellow students
- c) Respect and seek to understand the beliefs and traditions of other cultural and ethnic groups
- d) Exhibit concern for community, environment, and global issues
- e) Volunteer time and effort for school, parish, and community projects

