



## PHILOSOPHY OF ST. GERTRUDE SCHOOL

St. Gertrude School is an integral part of St. Gertrude Parish. It enhances the spiritual, intellectual, aesthetic, moral, social, emotional, and physical needs of our full and part-time students. Its distinctive purpose is to relate all human culture and knowledge to the Good News of Salvation.

Our endeavor is to help each other become aware of God's presence through care and concern. We strive to be a Christ-centered community where everyone feels needed and loved as children of God.

We believe that education is the enabling of persons to reach the fullness of their potential as individuals created in God's image, and assisting them to direct their gifts toward the building of a better world now and in the future.

We believe that education should include instruction and experience in peace and justice. It is our belief that the home environment is the crucial factor in determining the children's overall performance. The impact of parents is primary in the educational process. We build on the early foundations and habits set at home.

The children of St. Gertrude School are required to follow the policies and exercise the self-discipline necessary for Christian living.

The priorities of our education are: The **Message** revealed by God, **Community** in the Body of Christ, and **Service** to the Catholic community and mankind.

It is our endeavor to provide a quality education which prepares our students for life.