## FINE & PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT

## Philosophy:

Fine arts are essential in a well-rounded education. Our Fine Arts Education Program provides our students with the opportunity to explore Art, Music, and Drama. Through the act of creating, students are challenged to exercise their minds, solve problems, and to utilize their imaginations while formulating new ideas. It provides the individual with a sense of confidence through their accomplishments in their field. Participation in a fine arts program contributes to the development of the positive character qualities of teamwork, flexibility, appreciation and respect for others' ideas, and striving to glorify God through their efforts and talents.

## Goals:

- 1. The students will engage in a sequential program of instruction in music, theatre, and visual arts from kindergarten through high school.
- 2. The students will articulate creating, performing and responding to the arts.
- 3. The students will analyze the historical and cultural contexts of the arts.
- 4. The students will demonstrate what they know and are able to do through a variety of assessment method.
- 5. The students will participate in making connections among the arts, with other disciplines within the core curriculum, and with arts resources in the community.
- 6. The students will be able to evaluate through the understanding of creativity and beauty that the Divine Creator is in all of the arts.