



STELLAR SCHOOL

St. Rose School

Chelsea, MA

St. Rose School, located in the heart of Chelsea, MA, educates children from age three through Grade 8 from Chelsea and the surrounding communities.

The journey that our middle school students experience is centered on skills building -- building strong writers with writing across the curriculum as well as a writing program tailored for supporting ELLs; building independent thinkers with project-based learning that challenges students to create and collaborate as well as organize and manage time. We also focus on building motivated learners who possess the basic background knowledge and research capability to transform natural curiosity into a passion for education. St. Rose School's dedicated middle school teachers guide students on this journey by focusing on remediating any gaps and building skills in Grade 6, honing skills in Grade 7, then preparing students in Grade 8 to take their knowledge and mastery to high school and beyond. As students grow in both ability and self-confidence, they are challenged to take on more in each grade.

Each step along the way, teachers and students utilize technology to scaffold the process. St. Rose School has a busy class set of iPads that are constantly shared between the core subjects. Our ELA classes use the iPads to support language development through easy access to a dictionary and thesaurus as well as for in-class research projects so that students can practice identifying and citing quality sources in their writing assignments. The iPads are used in math classes for remediation, skills practice, and to challenge students ready for advanced work. By capitalizing on technology, St. Rose School is able to meet students where they are and guide them to where they will need to be in order to be successful students in high school and beyond.

In addition to integrating technology throughout the curriculum, the middle school sponsors specific field trips designed to enhance student learning and expand their horizons. Grade 6 attends Nature's Classroom, an environmental education camp, stepping away from their urban environment to experience the beauty of God's creation and participate in teambuilding activities. St. Rose middle schoolers are prepared to engage not only with textbooks, classic literature, and iPads, but also with the wider world.



St. Rose 6th Graders participating in Nature's Classroom