



# St. Joan *of* Arc

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*A foundation of faith and excellence.*

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## Latch Key Program

*A great place for SJA students to be!*



**The Latch Key Program at St. Joan of Arc** offers a safe, secure environment for students to spend extended hours before and after school hours to meet the busy schedules and needs of our school families.

The **Study** area is always available and open to students that want to work on their homework, study and read. It is a designated quiet area and staffers encourage students to finish their assignments and provide oversight.

The **Outside Activities and Gym** time are offered to let students burn off some of their energy after a school day filled with mental challenges. During the mild weather of fall and spring, students head out doors to the playscape. In the cold, wet winter months, students are supervised in the school gymnasium.

The **Play** area offers a wide range of toys for building, imaginative play, creative interaction and fun.

The **Game** area is well supplied with board games, puzzles and quieter activities that are inviting for group interaction.

The **Creativity Center** is open daily. Boys and girls are encouraged express themselves creatively through drawing, coloring, and working with a variety of media. Special craft creations are offered on a regular basis, organized and supervised the staff. Student creations are often seen decorating the walls of the cafeteria.

**On-campus escorts** are provided for students that participate in on-campus school and church functions. Students participating in activities such as Children's Choir, Girl Scouts and sports are escorted to and from these school and parish activities by a Latch Key staff person.

**Nutritious snacks** are offered daily. Special treats are incorporated into the schedule around holidays and special occasions.

**Friday afternoon at the movies** is a weekly treat for students to view an appropriate movie or television show.

**Security and safety** of the students is paramount to the program. Parents of students regularly utilizing the Latch Key program are issued an electronic key fob for access during Latch Key hours. Doors are otherwise locked from the outside to maintain a secure environment.

**Schedules** are issued on a monthly basis and payment is collected at the beginning of the month. Latch Key is open to students from 7:00—7:55 a.m. and from 3:10—6:00 p.m. Extended hours are available on half days.

St. Joan of Arc's Latch Key program is **licensed** by the State of Michigan Department of Human Services. We are proud to meet or exceed their requirements!