

COURSES/SERVICES OFFERED

SPARK (GIFTED PROGRAM)

SPARK (Seeking Purposeful Analytical Realistic Knowledge) is the local name for the program for academically gifted students in Calcasieu Parish. The identification of gifted students begins with a referral by a teacher, friend, or parent of the student with approval of the School Building Level Committee (SBLC). A screening test is given and if a student scores high enough on this or on LEAP scores, then a full evaluation is given by a Pupil Appraisal Team. Once a student is classified as academically gifted, an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) conference is held, and the student is placed in the program. Evaluations by local psychologists are accepted to review any pupil appraisal.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

All students enrolled at Frasch take physical education as required by the Louisiana Department of Education. A note from a parent can excuse a child from P.E. for no more than 3 days for temporary disabilities or illness. If an excuse is needed for longer than 3 days consecutively, a doctor's excuse is required. No boots of any kind should be worn on P.E. days.

SPEECH

Speech and hearing therapy is offered by the Calcasieu Parish School System at no added cost to the parent. A speech therapist works with students at our school who have speech or language problems.

LIBRARY

The library supports and enriches the curriculum at Frasch Elementary. Each class has a scheduled time to visit the library and learn the skills necessary to become independent users of any library. Entire classes or small groups of children come to the library to do research, learn about new book characters and complete book related activities. We are very proud of our Accelerated Reader program that motivates students to read books on a regular basis using their individual reading level.

ART

Art is offered as an enrichment course to all students and allows them to build their artistic skills through observation, exploration, expression and reflection. Students are exposed to a variety of techniques and mediums such as drawing, shading, clay, glazing, acrylic and watercolor paints, 3-D art, and printmaking. The art program also includes school and parish art shows within the community.