

Bishop Baraga Catholic School

The Place to Grow

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Clubs & Activities

Archery Club – Students, 3rd grade and up, meet after school to practice archery in the gym. The program runs from October to March during which time the students meet once per week in 2 different groups. One group meets on Wednesday, the other on Thursday. There is a \$10 start up fee and a cost of \$2 per session.

Band/Recorders – Students in the 6th grade have the opportunity to take band class at the middle school with other 6th grade public school students. At the end of 5th grade, students can sign up for band and select an instrument. Marshall Music and Cheboygan Middle School coordinate instrument rental and communication with the parents. During the 6th grade school year, the students take public school bus transportation to and from Bishop Baraga for one hour each day. Students in 4th grade and up, who do not have band, are given instruction on how to play a recorder under the direction of George Krawczyk. The \$10 cost for the recorder program includes the recorder and music book.

Battle of the Books – Students, 3rd grade and up, are divided into teams and each student is asked to read a hand full of books for the team. The students read the books on their own time and the battles take place after school. The teachers who direct the program, Joey Miller, Mary Redmond and Jill Kwiatkowski ask questions about the books during the battles in a quiz bowl format and the students answer the questions as a team. The program runs in late fall.

Buzz Club – Students in the 5th and 6th grades, under the direction of Jill Kwiatkowski and Molly Mousseau, write articles for and publish the Baraga Buzz. The students meet after school once per month.

Chess Club – Students, 4th grade and up, meet during their lunch period to play chess under the direction of Mary Redmond. The program runs from January through March.

Children's Choir – Students, kindergarten and up, meet the first Friday of the month after school for choir practice and sing at the 4:30 p.m. mass at St. Mary/St. Charles on the first Saturday of every month. Other practices are scheduled during the year to prepare music for special celebrations such as Christmas mass and community events. The program runs the entire school year and is under the direction of Theresa Gowell and George Krawczyk.

Cooking Club – Students, 4th grade and up, meet after school on the first and third Thursdays of the month in the kitchen of Bishop Baraga School under the direction of Kay Watkins. They prepare delicious goodies from desserts to simple dishes. The students sharpen their measuring, math and reading skills without even knowing it. Cost per session is \$3. This program runs from October through April.

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Cribbage Club – Students, 4th grade and up, meet during their lunch period to play cribbage under the direction of Jill Kwiatkowski. A new 3rd grade cribbage club is being formed under the direction of Molly Mousseau and will meet on Wednesdays. These programs run from January through March.

LEGO Robotics – Students, 2nd grade and up, meet twice a month in the computer room. This program helps students foster an interest in science, technology, engineering and math while promoting teamwork and imagination. All this combined with the fun of LEGOS! Students work in pairs using school computers and the LEGO "WeDo Robotics" sets to program simple machines. Cost per session is \$1.

Rosary Club – Students, 1st grade and up, meet every Tuesday after school and make beaded rosaries under the direction of Val Porter, Elizabeth Taylor and Joanne Luttrell. The rosaries are sent to people who otherwise would not have them and sometimes sent to other countries.

Running Club – Using an "out-and-back" course along the Rails-to-Trails path adjacent to the school grounds, students in 5th and 6th grades join Ms. Kayte Schryer for some healthy exercise! Participants are free to run at their own pace. Each student's mileage will be recorded so they can review the progress they are making.

Ski Club – Students in the 6th grade join the public middle school for ski trips to Nob's Nob on Friday nights during the ski season. The program is run by the public school with Jill Kwiatkowski as Baraga's chaperone. Transportation, lift ticket and equipment rental costs are associated with this program.

Spanish Club – Students, 2nd grade and up, meet after school on Color Day Mondays under the direction of Linda Lyon-S. Students get further instruction in the Spanish language through a variety of activities such as singing, playing games and sampling food.

Student Council – All students in the 4th, 5th and 6th grades are members of student council. Officers are elected from students in these grades. Under the direction of Kitty LaBlance and Jill Kwiatkowski, the council represents the student body and meets at least once per month (more if necessary for special events) during their lunch period and plan activities for the school such as the haunted classroom, school dances and events for Catholic Schools week. If there are any student concerns, those are brought to the attention of the principal during council meetings. Money that is raised through student council activities are put back into the school and community charities.