

Welcome to St. Francis Xavier Middle School Premier

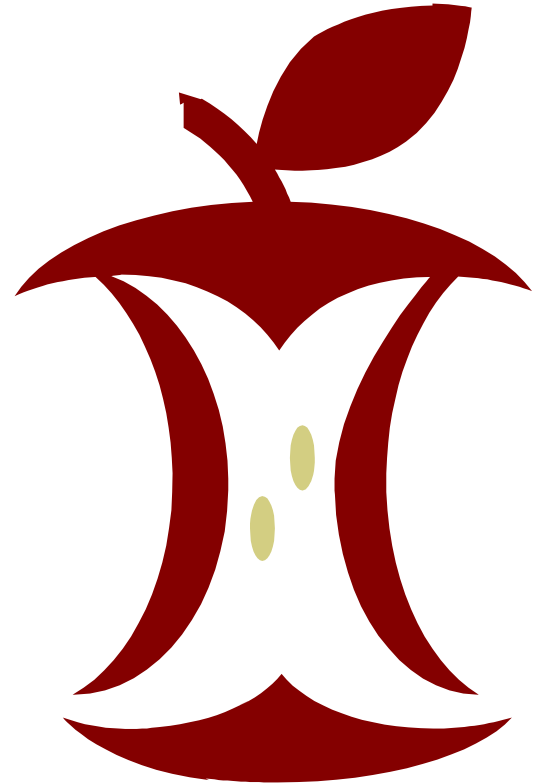


The St. Francis Xavier Middle
School Curriculum includes two
components:

CORE Classes

and **ENCORE** Classes

CORE Classes



Language Arts

Math

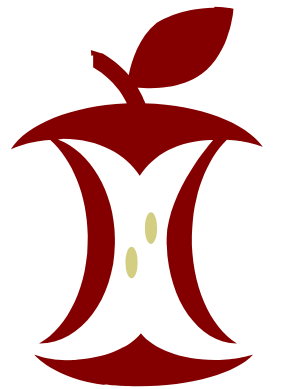
Social Studies

Science

Religion

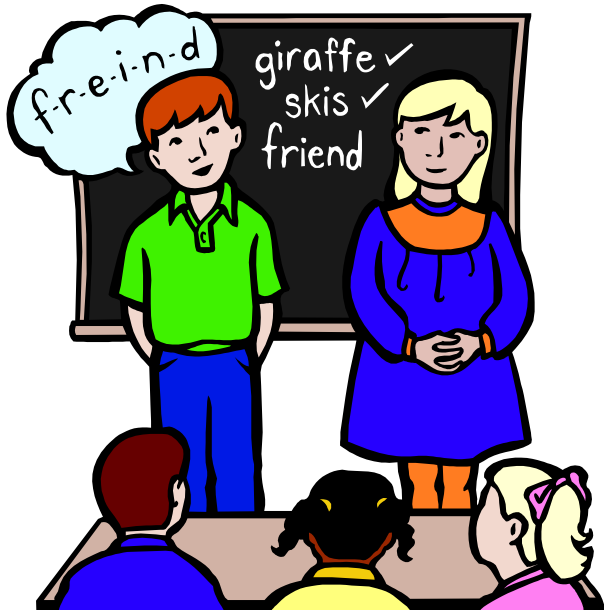


Language Arts



Skills Include:

Spelling * Vocabulary * Writing *
Greek and Latin Words *
Grammar * Literary Elements *



Classic Novels:

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Old Man and the Sea

The Miracle Worker

Diary of Ann Frank

The Westing Game

A Christmas Carol

A Wrinkle in Time

The Outsiders

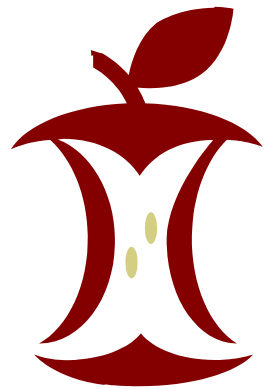
Animal Farm

The Hobbit

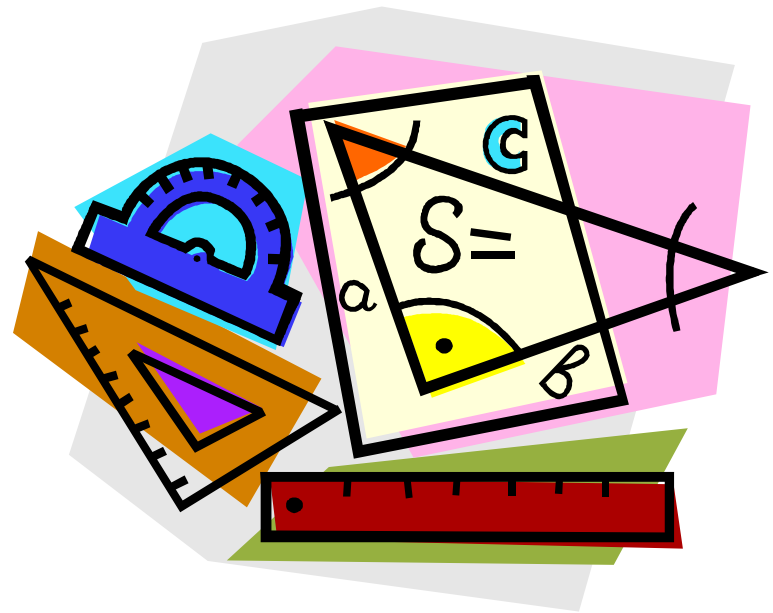
The Giver



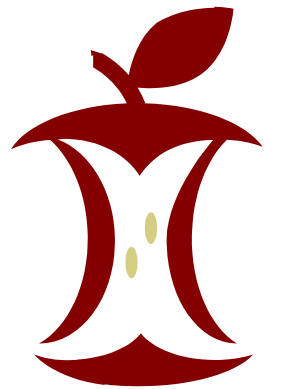
Math



- Computation
- Problem Solving
- Fractions
- Decimals
- Geometry
- Algebra
- Pythagorean (once/mo. for 5 mos.)



Social Studies



World History



American History

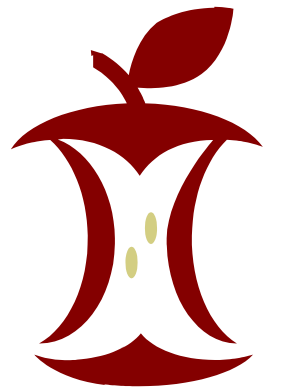


Minnesota History

World Culture & Geography



Science

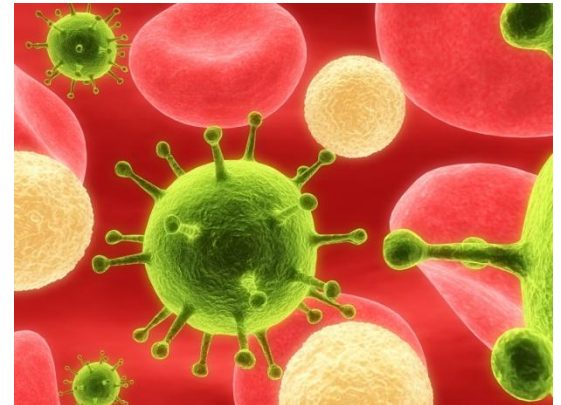


- Phenologies (notes on the environment) required each week.
- Lab orientated with a discovery format.
- **HANDS ON!!!**



Science Units Include:

- Measurement
- Cell Structure & Processes
- Bacteria, Protists, & Fungi
- Plants
- Ecology
- Geologic Times



- Simple Animals, (Sponges to Arthropods)
- Fish, Amphibians, Reptiles, Birds, & Mammals
- Animal Behavior
- Cell Reproduction & Heredity



- Plant Reproduction and Processes
- Rocks & Minerals
- Weathering & Erosion
- Weather
- Astronomy
- Oceanography



Plate Tectonics

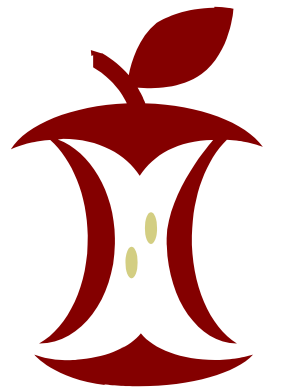
Forces and Motion

The Nature of Matter

The Changing Earth



Religion



- Catholic Social Teachings *
- Liturgy preparation * Gospels
- * Feasts and Holy Days *
- Creed * Kingdom of God *
- Conversion * Virtues * Rosary
- * Service



ENCORE Classes

Include:

- Music
- Physical Education
- Computer
- Art
- Spanish
- FACS
- Technical Education
- Health

ENCORE

Classes



Music



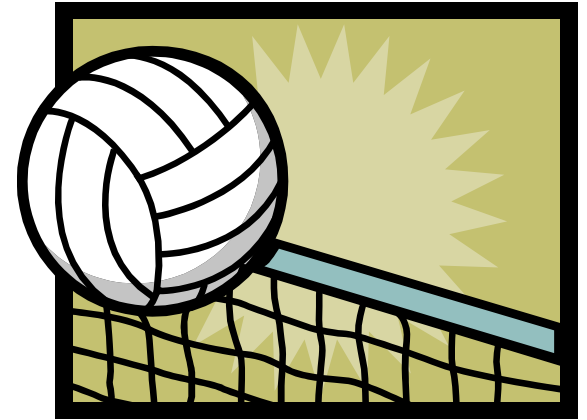
- Music Appreciation
- Participation in music class and weekly Liturgies by singing and playing instruments.
- Participation in Band is an option.



Physical Education



- Skill development
enhancement



- Team Participation and
Sportsmanship
- Units include: Volleyball,
Dance, Speedball, Softball,
Basketball, Track, etc.

Computer



Students attend twice weekly

26 iMac computers.

Programs used:

Pages

Keynote

iDVD

Keyboarding

Numbers

iMovie

A variety of websites



Art



- Drawing Techniques
- Painting: pastels, oils, acrylics
- Sculpture
- Pottery



Spanish



- Cultural Approach
- Listening Comprehension Exercises
- Realistic scenarios and conversations

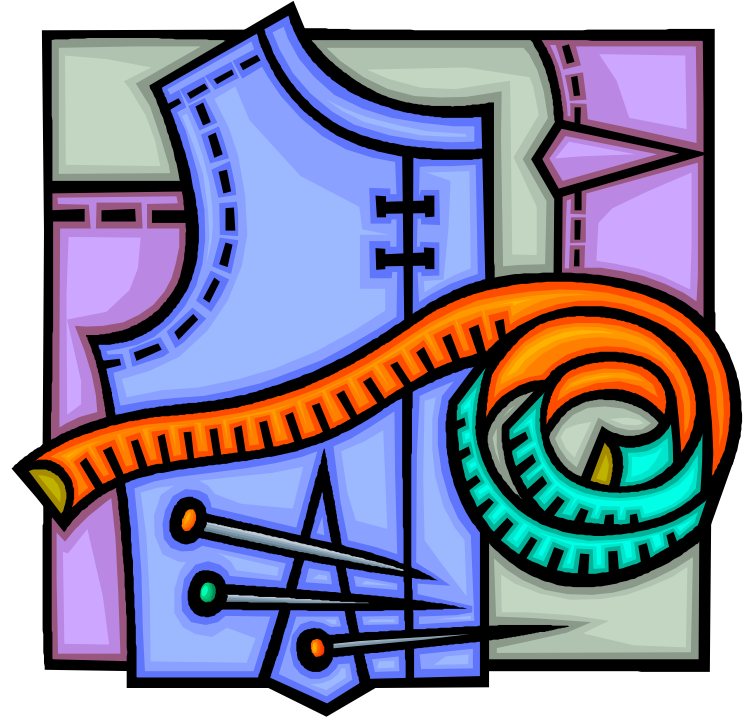


Family & Consumer Science

FACS



- Personal Relationships & Friendships
- First Aid
- Babysitting
- Sewing
- Food & Nutrition



Technical Education

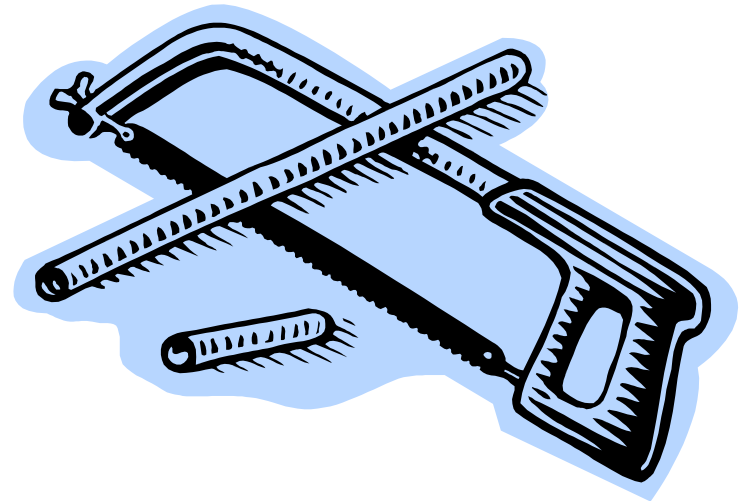


Safety



Drafting & Design

Beginning Woodworking



Health



- **Physical Health**
 - Nutrition & Exercise
 - Body Systems
 - Illness and Disease



- **Emotional Health**

- Making good choices

- Friendships/Peer groups

- Illness, Disease and Disorders



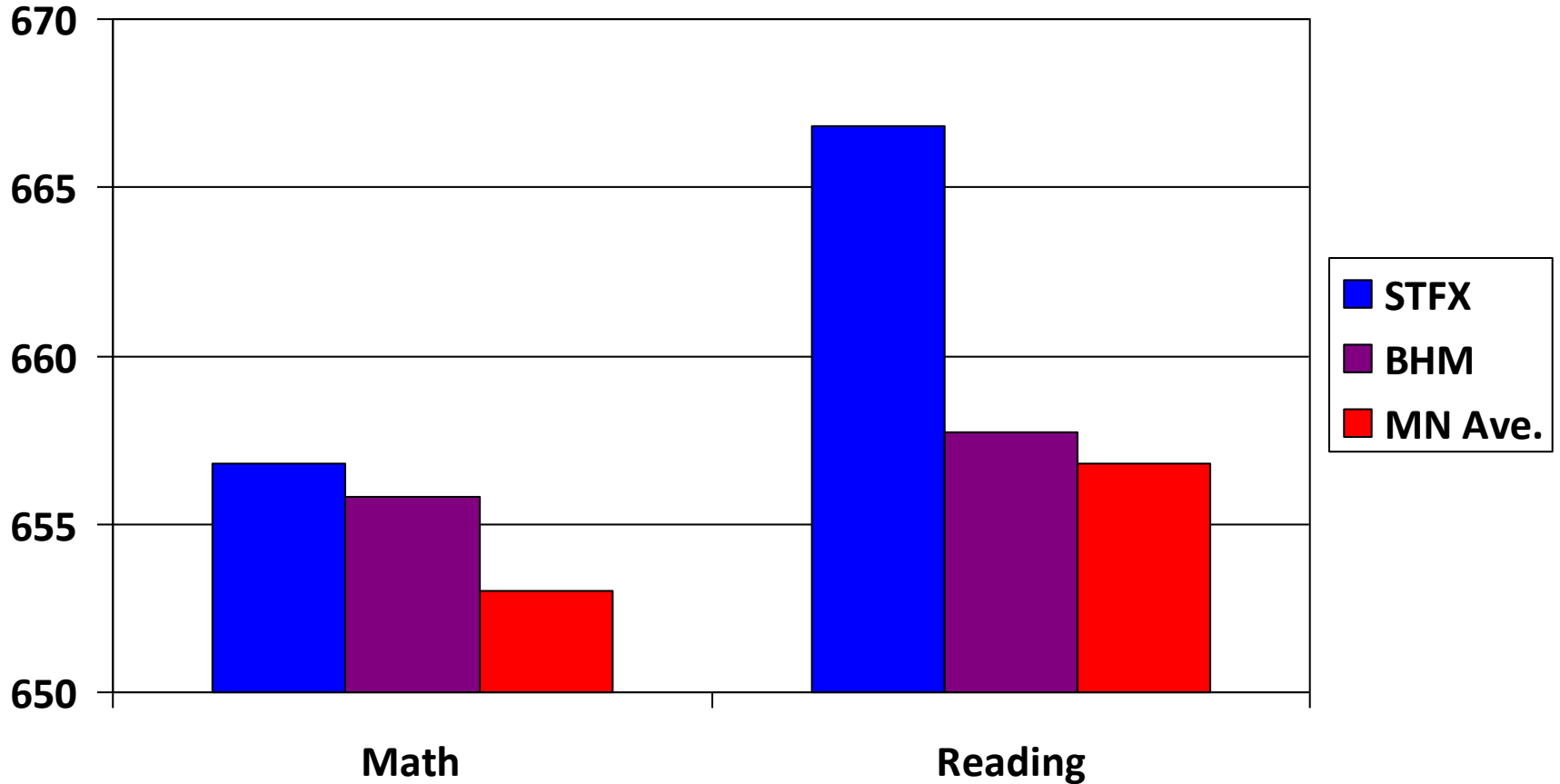
- **Substance Use and Abuse**

What about our Test Scores?



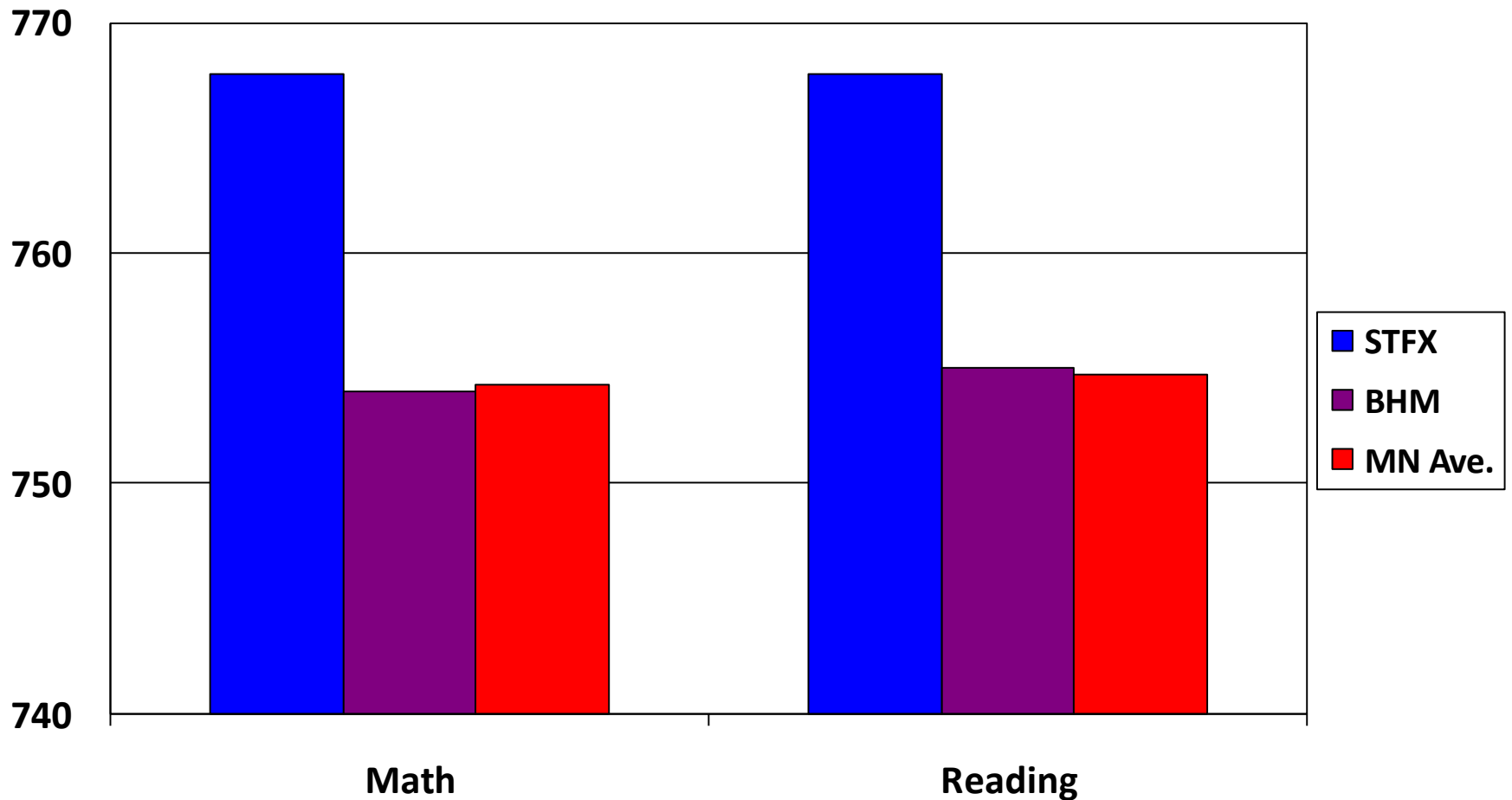
Spring 2010

MCA II Results - Grade 6



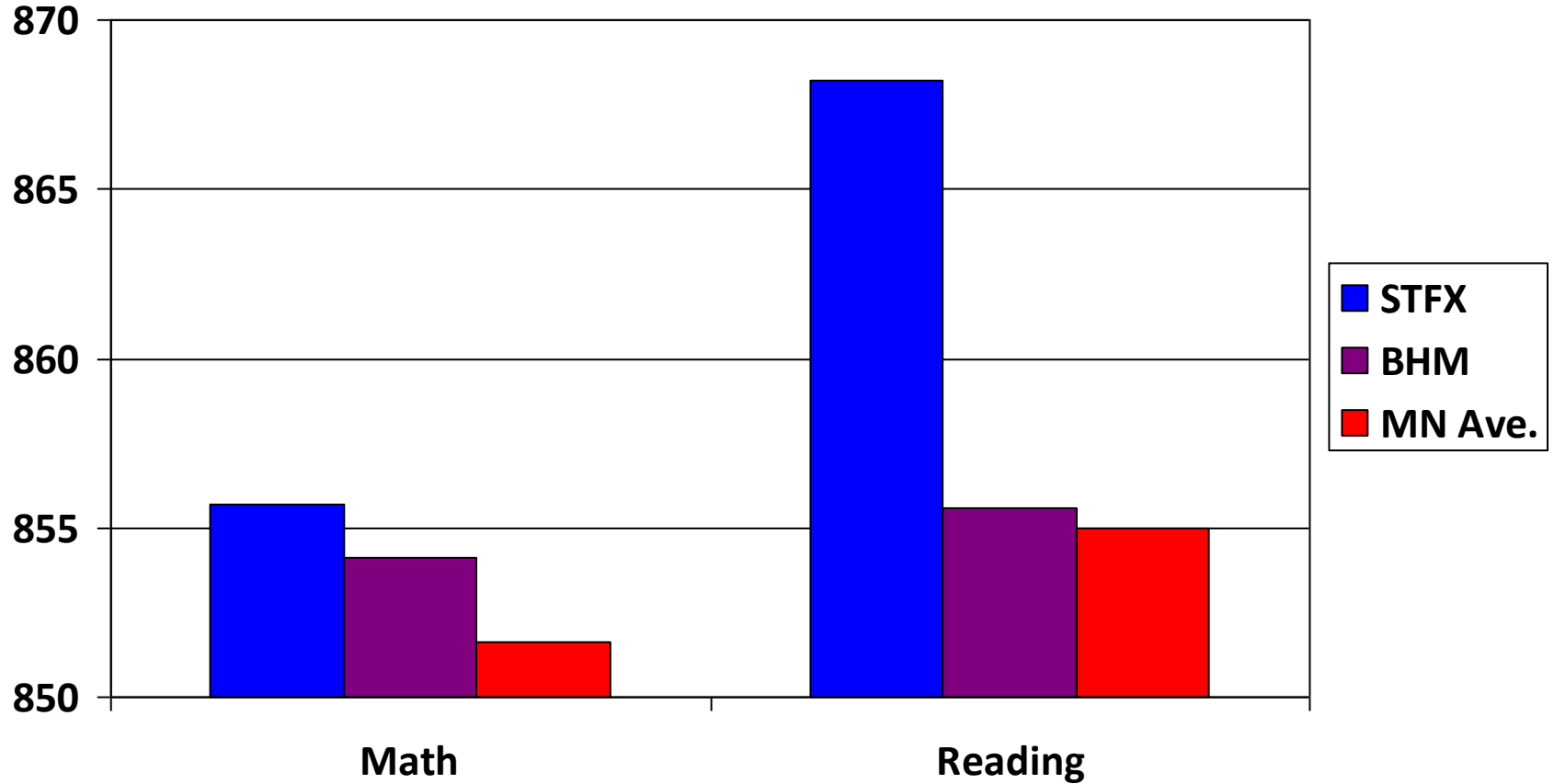
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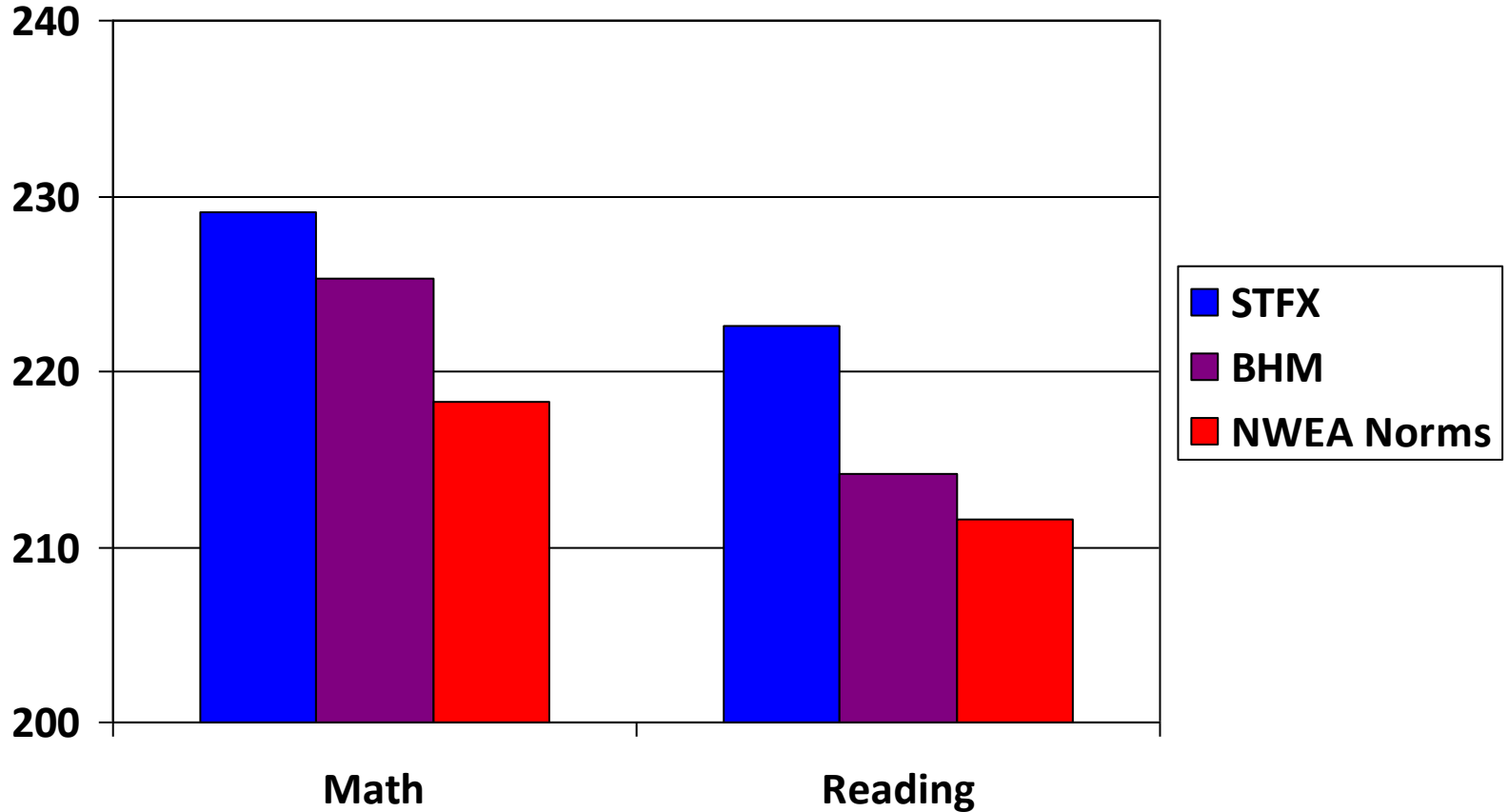
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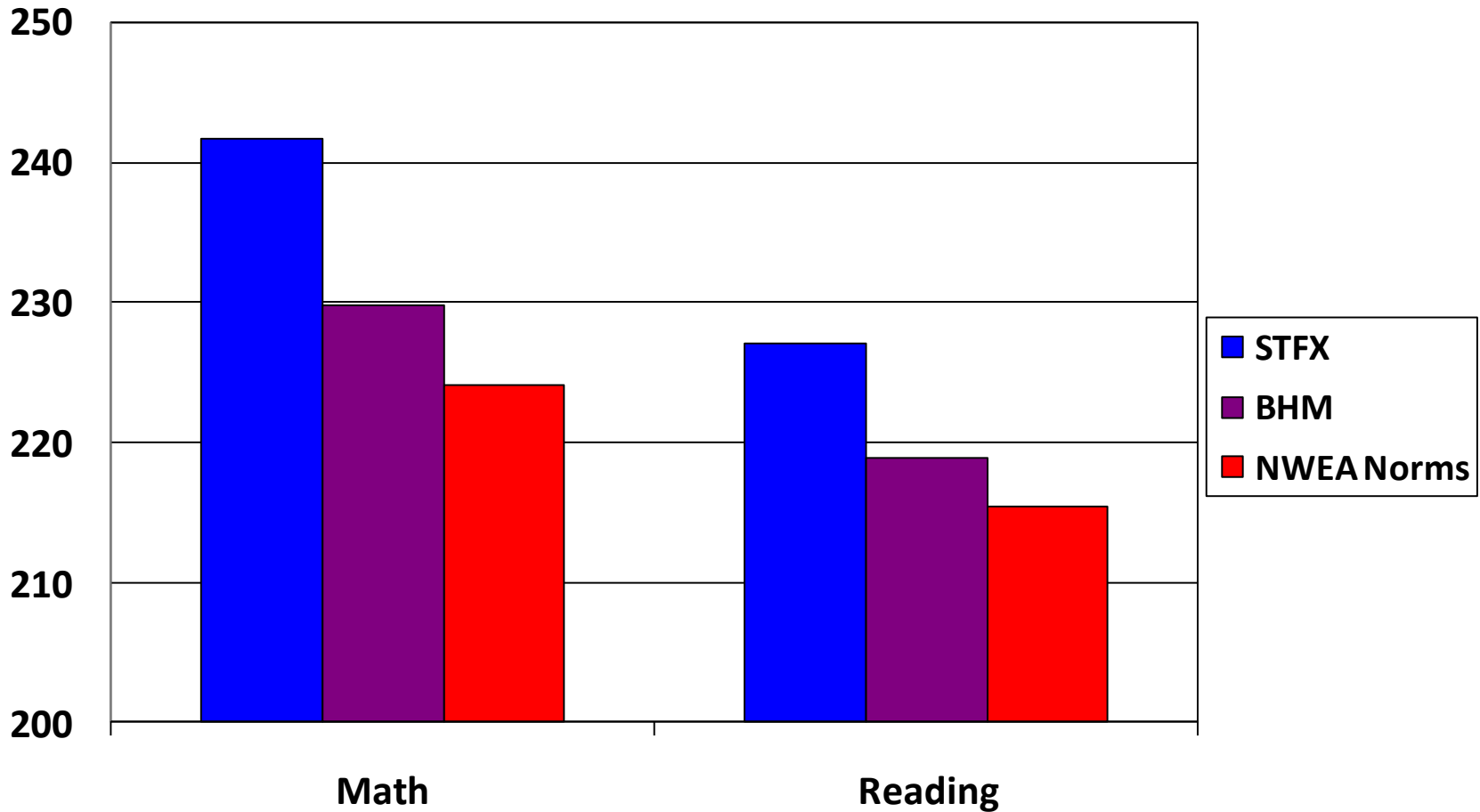
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NWEA MAP Assessments - Grade 6



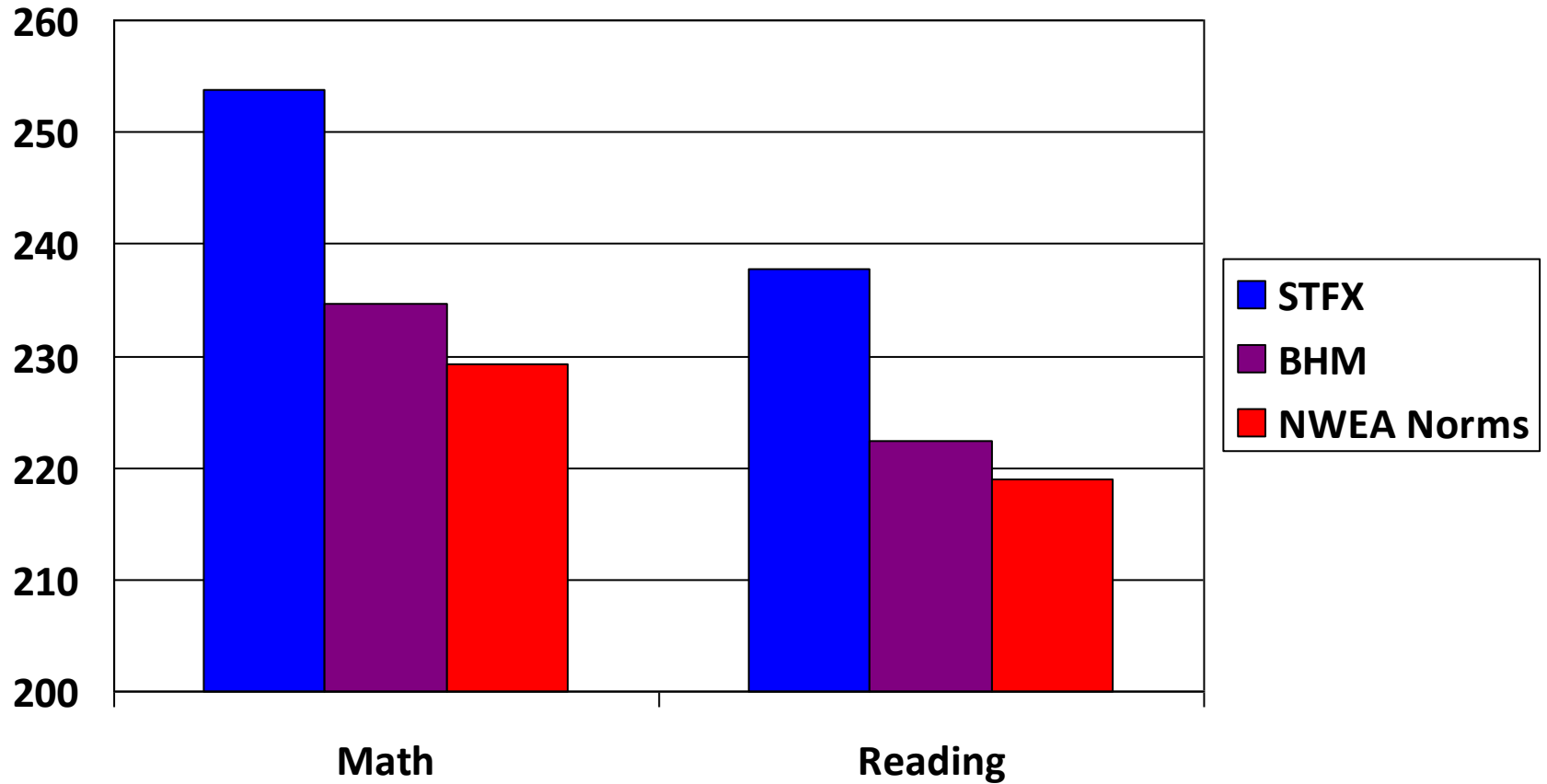
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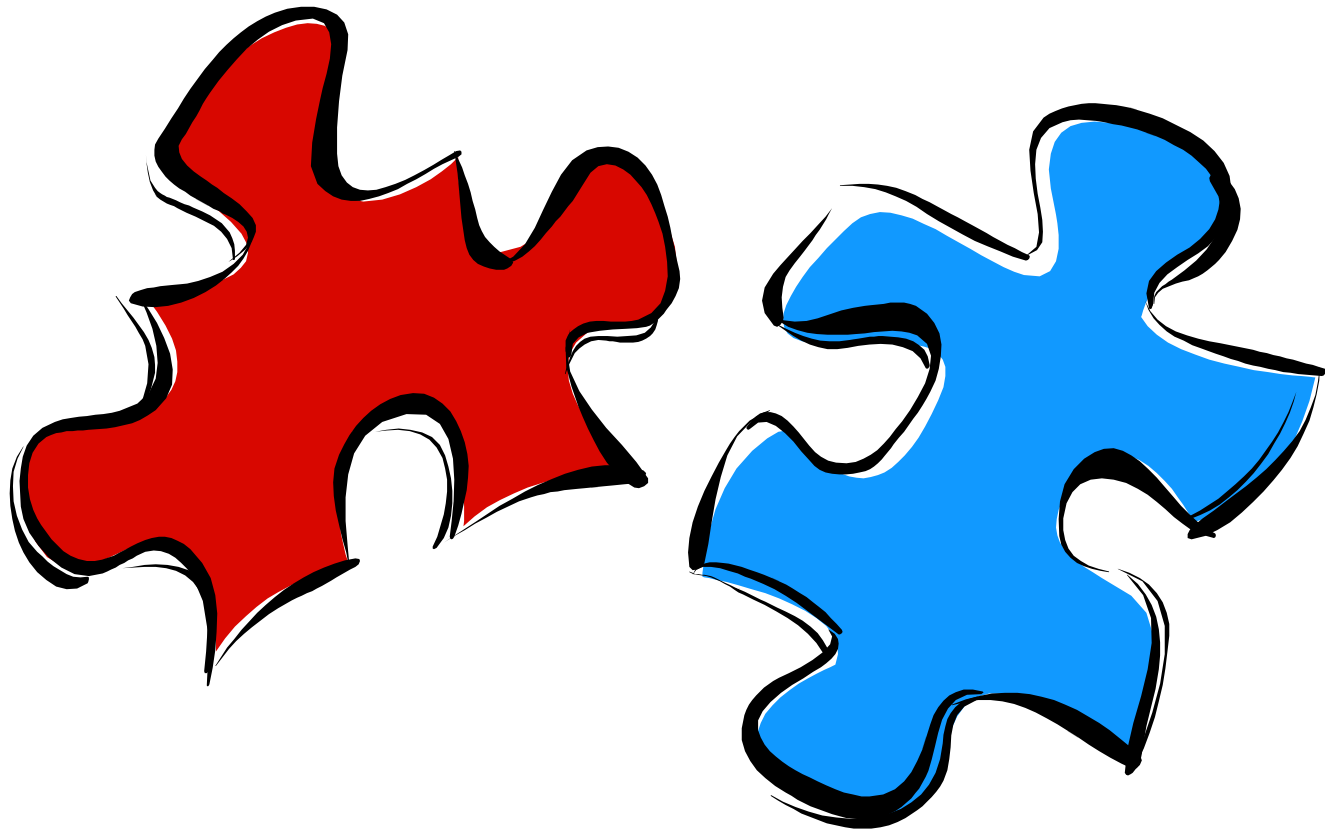


Leadership Opportunities

- Teacher Assistants
- Student Council
- Music Leadership
- Theater Program
- Special Events
- Service Organizations
- Perceived as leaders by teachers and other students

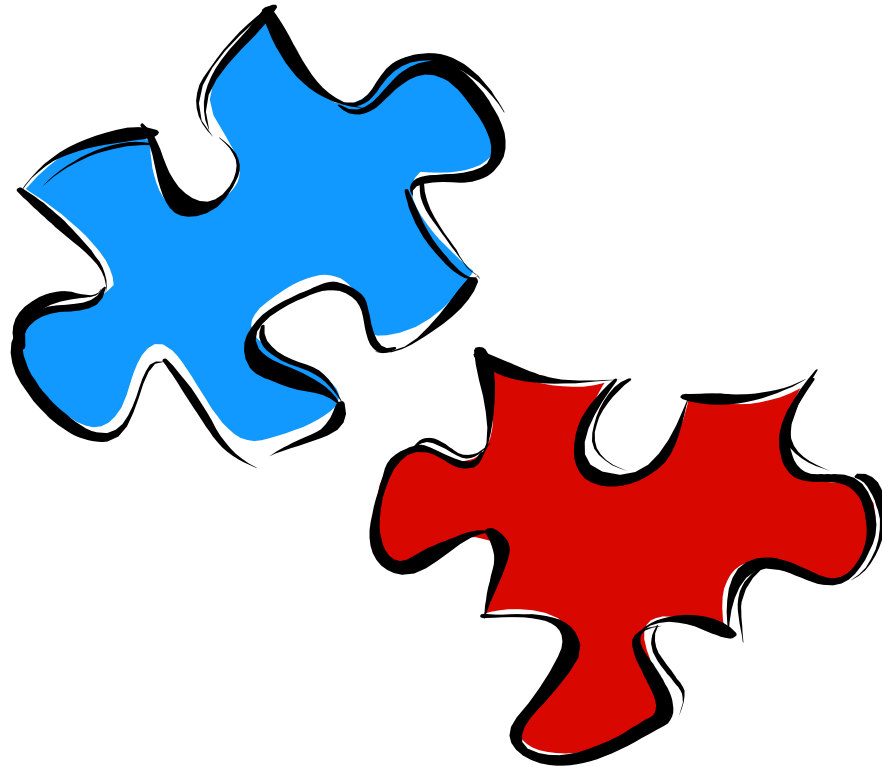


By putting the CORE
Curriculum pieces....

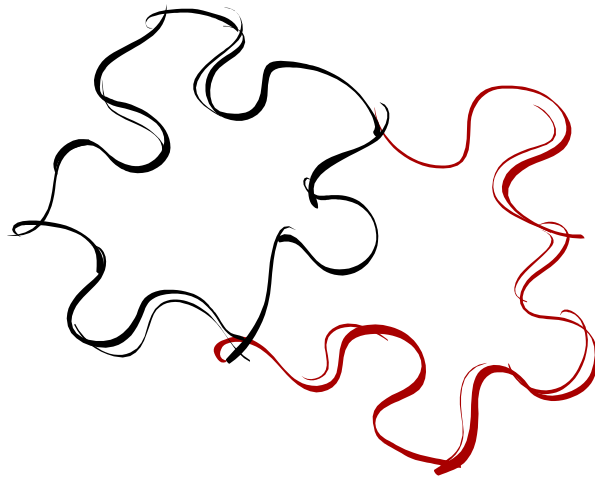


and **ENCORE**

Curriculum pieces



together



and teaching them in an
environment filled with
Christian Love and
Concern,



St. Francis Xavier School
is able to educate your
whole child: body, mind,
heart and soul.

