

## SACRED HEART SCHOOL Vailsburg

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Our students have been using the Help Me 2 Learn Language Arts programs for about 5 years. They are programs the children in Pre K through 8 willingly come back to again and again. The characters in the programs speak clearly and precisely and there are numerous occasions for positive auditory and visual reinforcement. Children earn gold and silver stars for their knowledge. This encourages them to keep striving for more stars and increase their knowledge as they do so.

To see a first grader spend 45 minutes and more on a program, singing the tunes, reading aloud, and carrying on conversations with the characters in the program, I know we are doing something right!

Our reading scores have gradually risen every year that we have been using the programs. I am able to check student progress through the teacher utilities and even print out reports for the parents.

This year we began using the online versions of the Help Me 2 Learn programs and our parents have gotten involved in the activities at home. Children can access their accounts from school or home and continue earning gold and silver stars. Having the website access is really easy to manage and great for the families. Excited students come to me and tell me about their success using the programs on their computers at home. Parents are so grateful that their children are spending time doing educational work online. I am pleased at the students' progress.

I can't praise the company enough for their efforts to enhance, enrich and support the education of the children in our school.

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