ELASSROOM SENSORY PATHS

otholic Academy of Bridgeport - St. Raphael Academy



170 Students Impacted PreK - Grade 3



<u>PURPOSE</u>: To help our students by meeting their emotional and developmental needs in order to allow them to better focus in the classroom and improve academics. Our school serves students in an inner city setting and we have found many of them benefit from the sensory paths to provide movement breaks and to assist in following directions.

IMPACT: The sensory paths have improved our teaching techniques. When the pandemic started in March 2020, school closed and we were no longer able to use the roll out sensory mats. However in September 2020, we brought the pathway outside by using stencils. We were able to paint the pathways on our playground. The grant has a great impact on students. They looked forward to using the stencils, waited in line patiently for their turn, and were able to focus on the activity and interact with peers as they were counting and playing.

<u>FUTURE PLANS:</u> We will continue to use them going forth. The pandemic has changed the way we teach and do things in the classroom and when we are able to go back to "normal," we will be able to integrate more into the lessons.









