

Tuition Assistance

Archdiocesan Catholic Schools are supported by parishes through an assessment of approximately 10.9% of parish ordinary income. These resources are used to reduce construction mortgages for five schools built in 1999-2000 and to provide tuition assistance to Catholic families.



Catholic Schools

GRACE Scholars

Georgia taxpayers can make a no-cost contribution to GRACE Scholars, a Student Scholarship Organization (SSO) founded by the bishops of Georgia. GRACE Scholars provides Catholic schools scholarship dollars to award to students with financial need. Contributions are "no cost," as they are eligible for a 100% tax credit against state income taxes.

In the school year 2017-18, \$3.1 million was contributed from donors throughout the state, of which \$2.2 million was collected right here in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. As a result, 708 students in archdiocesan schools received \$2.2 million in scholarship dollars for the 2017-18 school year.

Archbishop's Banquet for Catholic Education

Through the generosity of sponsors for the annual Archbishop's Banquet for Catholic Education, the Office of Catholic Schools awarded six scholarships in the amount of \$3,500.00 each to children of school, parish, and Chancery employees in the 2017-18 school year.

Financial Aid Funding Sources

During the 2017-18 school year, applicants for financial aid demonstrated need totaling \$10.8 million dollars. Through archdiocesan and local school efforts, \$9.1 million dollars, or 84%, of the need was satisfied, easing the financial strain for families wishing to secure a Catholic education for their children.

● Archdiocesan financial aid	\$2,900,000
● Local tuition assistance	\$3,100,000
● Other aid	\$1,300,000
● GRACE (One-Year Award)	\$1,800,000

Total assistance awarded \$9.1 Million

Office of Catholic Schools

Revenue Sources

The services provided by the Office of Catholic Schools are predominantly funded in three ways: the archdiocesan budget, school pupil assessment (\$34 per student), and the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

● Archdiocesan Budget	\$418,344
● Pupil Assessment	\$268,328
● Archbishop's Annual Appeal	\$50,000
● Other	\$148,862

Office of Catholic Schools Expenses \$885,534



School Tuition and Cost to Educate Rates

Archdiocesan Median Catholic Tuition Rates:

- Elementary - \$8,097
- Secondary - \$12,700

Archdiocesan Median Cost to Educate*

- Elementary - \$9,789
- Secondary - \$14,377

*Includes bond subsidy for Catholic Education North Georgia, Inc. (CENGI) schools.

Federal Program Participation

Archdiocesan Catholic Schools participate in several federally funded compensatory programs to provide services to students and professional development for faculty and staff.

Title I	\$138,932.40
Title II (A)	\$173,527.60
Title III	\$15,000.00
Title IV	\$35,393.65
E-rate	\$156,989.05
Total	\$519,842.70



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF ATLANTA



Office of Catholic Schools Annual Report

2017-2018

Faith, Family & Excellence

I am so very proud of the outstanding Catholic schools found in our archdiocese. Our students' successes are highlighted in this 2017-18 Annual Report issued by the Office of Catholic Schools. Our Catholic schools are well-known and recognized for excellent academics and also for the development of faith communities. Every morning, our students begin their school day with prayer, enabling them to strengthen their relationship with Jesus Christ and the role that their faith plays in their lives. Rigorous academics and strong faith formation provide outstanding opportunities for our students that can only be found in a Catholic school.

The dedicated faculty and staff in our Archdiocesan schools help provide nurturing environments that allow students to grow in many valuable ways. Year after year, they diligently teach an award-winning curriculum, while also instructing our students in character development, leadership, and our precious Catholic faith. It is my hope that we are preparing your children for their vocation in life as we provide them with the necessary skills to positively contribute to our Church, the local communities where they reside, and the greater world which they inhabit.

I am deeply indebted to our school families for entrusting their children to us and working in partnership with us as we strive to achieve the mission of Catholic education. I am well aware of the sacrifices that are made to provide a Catholic education for our students and greatly appreciate the gift of a lifetime that our parents, grandparents and guardians are providing for them. We remain steadfast in our commitment to you and your children to provide the best Catholic education possible in our schools.

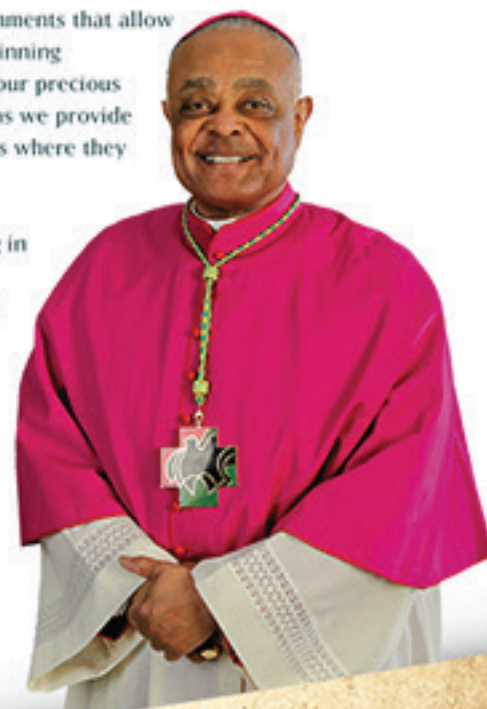
May God continue to bless our students and their families as they continue to grow in faith, knowledge and character.

Wilton D. Gregory

† Wilton D. Gregory
Archbishop of Atlanta



Catholic Schools



Mission Statement

As a service of the Archbishop of Atlanta, the Office of Catholic Schools provides support, assistance, and guidance for the administrators, faculties, local school councils, and parents in order to promote and to enhance the educational ministry of the local Church.

THIS IS MY
BODY GIVEN UP
FOR YOU



Catholic education gives soul to the world.

Pope Francis



Dear Friends and Supporters of Catholic Education,

In his 2018 address to the Gravissimum Educationis Foundation, Pope Francis encouraged Catholic schools to focus on three essential elements for success: (1) identity; (2) quality; and, (3) care for the common good.

It is my privilege to present the 2017-18 annual report for our Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. In this annual report, you will find highlighted the many ongoing successes and accomplishments of the students we are privileged to serve.

From the moment one enters our schools, our Catholic identity is proudly displayed throughout the building, in our interactions with one another, and in the teaching of our faith. Our students excel in the knowledge of our faith as indicated in the results of our annual ACRE (Assessment of Catholic Religious Education) Assessment. More importantly, our students live their faith as they provide service to local, state, national and international initiatives.

The academic formation found in our Archdiocesan schools remains a hallmark of success and outstanding quality in all of our schools. Our students continue to outpace local, state and national standards as illustrated in this report. Seventy-five percent of our schools have been recognized as U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence. Two of our schools have received this prestigious honor on three separate occasions while four of our schools have twice been recognized as Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence. Remarkably, our high schools again posted a 100% graduation rate at the conclusion of the 2018 school year. Our outstanding faculties and staff members, under the guidance and direction of dedicated and talented principals, continue to provide an academic education second to none.

We are called to serve others and to take care of the world that God has created for us. Our schools proudly participate in service projects to assist those in need, the unborn, charitable organizations and families new to our country and our communities. Our schools proudly participate in a variety of 'green initiatives' and a variety of other projects to protect our environment for generations to come. We are truly blessed to partner and to work with our parents who assist in expanding the reach of our efforts to provide help to those in need. I wish to thank and to recognize our shepherd, Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory, our Auxiliary Bishops Bernard Shlesinger and Joel Konzen and all of the dedicated clergy who generously support our schools. We are grateful to our generous benefactors and key sponsors who make our annual Archbishop's Education Banquet a reality.

Please know of our commitment to the on-going pursuit of excellence in all that we do. May our Catholic Schools continue to strengthen the soul of this world.

With gratitude,

Diane Starkovich, Ph.D.

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Superintendent of Schools

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Student Demographics

School Year 2017-18

Total Enrollment – 7,828

Elementary – 5,480

High School – 2,348

Minority – 26%

Catholic-Non-Catholic – 88% - 12%

National School Lunch Program Qualified – 8%

Learning Needs – 9%

High School Graduates in 2018 – 572

High School Graduation Rate – 100%

College Scholarship Totals* – \$59,076,132.00

(*exclusive of HOPE)

Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Atlanta (AoA)

ACRE Scores 2018

5th Grade					8th Grade					12th Grade				
Domains	AoA Average	National Average	Catholic School Average	Parish Average	Domains	AoA Average	National Average	Catholic School Average	Parish Average	Domains	AoA Average	National Average	Catholic School Average	Parish Average
Knowledge of Faith	80.1	72	74	61	Knowledge of Faith	84.8	71	75	54	Knowledge of Faith	78.5	69	69	61
Liturgical Life	77.2	70	71	53	Liturgical Life	79.9	69	72	57	Liturgical Life	81.3	72	72	69
Moral Formation	84.6	79	80	70	Moral Formation	87.6	81	83	70	Moral Formation	85.3	76	76	70
Prayer	73.8	66	67	53	Prayer	83.9	73	75	60	Prayer	85.5	80	80	76
Communal Life	80.2	73	74	62	Communal Life	77.8	62	65	48	Communal Life	86.3	76	77	66
Missionary Spirit	70.6	55	58	41	Missionary Spirit	88.3	76	79	60	Missionary Spirit	81.7	74	74	66
Pillars					Pillars					Pillars				
Creed	79.6	70	73	59	Creed	82.6	69	72	52	Creed	83.0	74	74	64
Liturgy and Sacraments	77.2	68	71	54	Liturgy and Sacraments	80.9	69	72	56	Liturgy and Sacraments	83.2	74	74	70
Morality	80.3	72	73	63	Morality	87.5	79	81	68	Morality	84.3	75	75	68
Prayer	73.8	66	67	53	Prayer	83.9	73	75	61	Prayer	74.3	69	69	68
Group Average	78.4	69.4	71.6	58.3	Group Average	84.2	72.8	75.6	59.3	Group Average	82.8	74.0	74.1	67.0



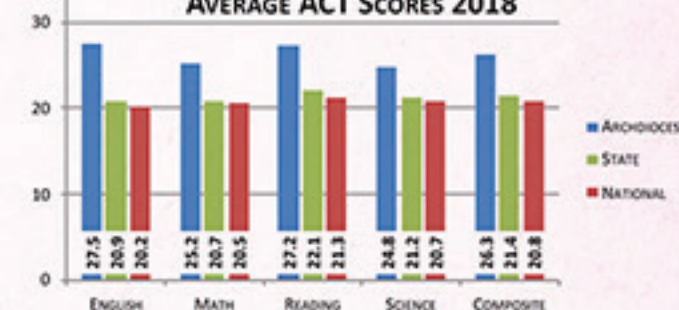
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Iowa Assessment National Percentile Rank (NPR)

Core Composite								
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
93	76	85	78	79	79	79	83	83
Language Arts Total								
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
96	85	83	80	84	85	85	89	88
Math Total								
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
93	78	88	78	76	78	76	79	75
Social Studies Total								
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
*	77	82	76	78	79	76	81	78
Science Total								
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
*	79	85	80	80	77	77	76	77

*Subject not assessed at this grade level

ARCHDIOCESE OF ATLANTA AVERAGE ACT SCORES 2018



ARCHDIOCESE OF ATLANTA AVERAGE SAT SCORES 2018



2018 Advanced Placement (AP) Course Statistics

989 Students
2,133 Exams
27 Subjects
3.4 Average Score
79% of Students scored 3 or higher
College Board's AP Honor Roll