

Office of Catholic Schools Annual Report 2021-2022Faith, Family & Excellence

Dear Friends of Catholic Education:

Peace and All Good!

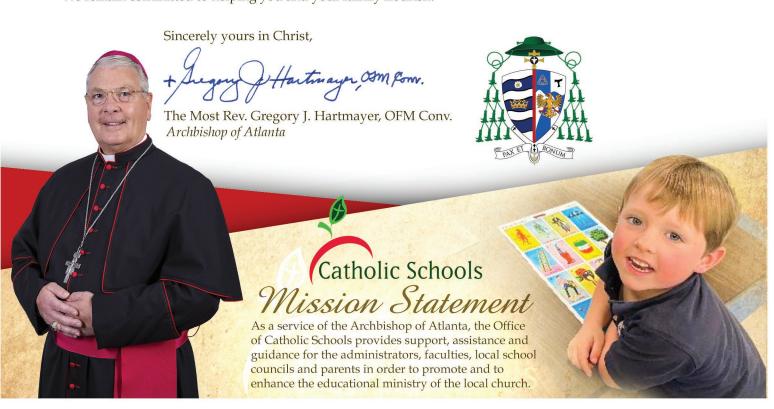
Through the ongoing efforts of our principals, teachers and staff, our Catholic schools continue on a path toward excellence. The contents of this annual report affirm our efforts to support student success across all program offerings.

The Catholic schools of the Archdiocese of Atlanta serve a vital role in the educational ministry of the Church. Our schools remain committed to providing a quality education in an environment of spiritual, intellectual and moral formation in accordance with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.

For it is in our Catholic schools that all children – Catholic and non-Catholic alike – come to understand more deeply the role of faith in their lives while developing strong moral character. The exceptional academic instruction prepares students to be productive, effective contributors to our Church and our world.

I am deeply grateful to the parents who are the first teachers and to those individuals who staff our Catholic elementary and secondary schools, the dedicated lay and religious administrators and teachers, our pastors and parochial vicars and all those who work together to energize the faith through Catholic education.

We remain committed to helping you and your family flourish!



Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Atlanta ACRE Scores 2021-22

5th Grade						
Domains	AofA Average	National Average	Catholic School Average	Parish Average		
Knowledge of Faith	79.2	71	73	61		
Liturgical Life	79.0	68	71	54		
Moral Formation	84.2	78	80	71		
Prayer	72.5	65	67	53		
Communal Life	80.4	72	74	61		
Missionary Spirit	71.5	54	57	41		
Pillars						
Creed	79.0	70	73	59		
Liturgy and Sacraments	79.2	68	71	54		
Morality	80.7	72	73	63		
Prayer	72.8	65	67	53		
Group Average	77.9	68.3	70.6	57.0		

8th Grade					
Domains	AofA National Average		Catholic School Average	Parish Average	
Knowledge of Faith	77.6	71	75	55	
Liturgical Life	72.6	69	72	57	
Moral Formation	85.4 81		83	71	
Prayer	77.0	73	75	61	
Communal Life	73.8	62	65	49	
Missionary Spirit	83.9	76	79	60	
Pillars					
Creed	76.2	69	72	52	
Liturgy and Sacraments	74.1	69	72	56	
Morality	84.7	79	81	68	
Prayer	77.2	73	75	61	
Group Average	78.3	72.2	74.9	59.0	

12th Grade					
Domains	AoA Average	National Average	Catholic School Average	Parish Average	
Knowledge of Faith	72.0	69	67	54	
Liturgical Life	75.5	70	71	62	
Moral Formation	79.2	72	72	66	
Prayer	83.3	77	77	71	
Communal Life	81.2	76	74	62	
Missionary Spirit	76.9	72	73	64	
Pillars					
Creed	77.5	71	72	59	
Liturgy and Sacraments	77.3	71	72	62	
Moralilty	78.8	72	72	65	
Prayer	71.6	67	68	59	
Group Average	77.3	71.7	71.8	62.4	



2022 Iowa Assessment National Percentile Rank

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Core Comp	osite	MALE.			66 67			
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
86	69	81	78	79	78	77	80	82
Language A	rts Total	100						42%
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
90	79	79	79	84	82	83	87	86
Math Total					STANDE	LUCLE		
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
*	72	78	74	79	78	76	80	77
Science Tot	als							
K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
*	75	82	78	81	77	77	75	76

*Subject not assessed at this level

Archdiocesan School Advisory Council

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> Nancy Dilly School Psychologist

Leigh Ann Hammen Assistant to the Psychologist

Debra Wheeler Program Specialist

Student Demographics School Year 2021-22

Total Enrollment —	 7,758
Elementary —	
High School ————	
Minority —	 26%
Catholic-Non-Catholic ——	<u> </u>

Learning Needs — 9%
High School Graduates in 2021- 551

High School Graduation Rate— 100%
College Scholarship Totals*— \$50,120,192

(*exclusive of HOPE)

Faith, Family & Excellence

- 18 archdiocesan Catholic schools 3 High Schools and 15 Elementary Schools approximately 7,700 students enrolled.
- Our rigorous curriculum is aligned to national standards and by any measure, our schools deliver a top-notch education.
- Our certified teachers and staff partner in order to develop the "Whole Child:" Mind, Body and Spirit.
- We also teach children about the deeper underlying themes of society and equip them with the ability to recognize how their knowledge can impact and better the world around them.

75 percent of our schoools

have received the coveted National Blue Ribbon School Award of Excellence, placing our schools in the top 10-15 percent nationally from a performance perspective.



Catholic school graduates

are more likely to volunteer for community services and to be active participants in their own parishes later in life.

SY 2021-22 Advanced Placement Exams
1,051 students • 2,315 exams • 27 subjects
3.1 average score • 77% of students
scored 3 or higher



- Continued outstanding performance results on ACRE, IOWA, SAT and ACT testing.
- The cultural diversity of our local church provides opportunities to embrace different cultures in our school communities and to recognize God's image in all whom we encounter.
- Parents are the primary educators of their children; working together, the sense of family and a faith community create an atmosphere of trust, love and partnership.
- We are extremely blessed to have such wonderful leaders, administrators, teachers, staff and students in our Catholic school community.



Tuition Assistance

Archdiocesan Catholic schools are supported by parishes through an assessment of approximately three percent of parish ordinary income. These resources are used to help 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 percent tax credit against income taxes.

In school year 2021-22, \$3.8 million was contributed from donors throughout the state, of which \$2.0 million was collected right here in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. As a result, 607 students in archdiocesan schools received \$2.2 million in scholarship dollars for the 2021-22 school year.

Archbishop's Banquet for Catholic Education

Through the generosity of sponsors for the annual Archbishop's Celebration of Catholic Education, the Office of Catholic Schools awarded six scholarships, in the amount of \$3500.00 each, to children of school, parish and chancery employees in the 2021-22 school year.

Financial Aid Funding Sources

During the 2021-22 school year, applicants for financial aid demonstrated need totaling \$11.6 million dollars. Through archdiocesan and local school efforts, 82 percent (\$9.5 million) 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 from schools

 \$3,400,000
- Other aid \$1,000,000
- GRACE (One-Year Award) \$2,200,000

Total assistance awarded \$9.5 Million

School Tuition and Cost to Educate Rates

Archdiocesan Median Catholic Tuition Rates:

- Elementary \$9,243
- Secondary \$13,851

Archdiocesan Median Cost to Educate*

- Elementary \$10,952
- Secondary \$16,358

Federal Program Participation

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

All archdiocesan schools and the Office of Catholic Schools participate in the E-rate program for reimbursement of telecommunication expenses.

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 — \$387,320
 Pupil Assessment — \$272,230

Archbishop's Annual Appeal
 Other
 \$50,000
 \$116,328

Office of Catholic Schools Expenses—\$825,878

