

"Walk into a Catholic school. Sense and experience the atmosphere, the "feeling."

Observe the Catholic school students and their interactions with teachers and one another in and out of the classroom.

- Bishop David M. O'Connell

The Department of Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Trenton provides leadership, direction, support, and service to pastors. principals, and school communities as they form students in the Catholic Faith and develop each child's potential.

OUR SCHOOLS at a GLANCE

- 26 Elementary Schools,5 Catholic High Schools
- 10,253 Elementary and High School Students
- 20% represent minorities (approx.)
- 1,600 professional Staff (approx.)
- 12th largest school system in the State of New Jersey in number of students
- **5th** largest school system in the State of New Jersey in terms of number of schools
- 35th largest Catholic school system in the United States

SNAPSHOT of OUR GROWTH

Last year when I arrived at the Department of Catholic Schools, I asked folks the question, "When is the Good News really news?" This year I can answer that question with the utmost in confidence: "Our Catholic schools in the Diocese of Trenton are moving in a most positive direction with the growth of our students in the areas of faith formation, academics and social awareness all in the safest environments possible."

Throughout this SnapShot, you will see all that our dedicated staffs are doing to deliver, not only the basics of educational expectations, but rather superseding these expectations. I am often quoted as saying, "Two plus two is always four...in any school in the state, but really what makes our Catholic Schools different is the experience that goes along with the learning of math, science, reading and such." A statement such as this has never more true than today, given all that our schools have experienced during the days of the pandemic. This SnapShot will underscore all that is being done in our schools.

Our Catholic schools have Gospel values alive in every subject that we teach and relationship that we cultivate. The experience of a Catholic school is more than the bricks and mortar or pens and pencils. Our Catholic schools develop the whole child to live as Christ taught and in His light. These truths are infused in every moment of the day within a Catholic school.

Our high schools are producing graduates who are not only going to college at a rate higher than 98%, but more importantly are attending the college and university of their choice. Add to this the fact that last year's seniors were offered more than \$141,000,000.00 in scholarships which clearly demonstrates our Catholic high schools are producing the type of students that these institutions are searching nationally to find and admit into their programs. Our elementary schools are providing the foundational support that is necessary to succeed in secondary and higher education.

As important as the academics are, and they are numerous to be sure, more importantly is the complexity of the student that is enrolled in our Catholic schools. Our students are grounded in their identity; they excel academically; and they are well-rounded socially, physically, and emotionally through an abundance of co-curricular activities and support programs offered in our Catholic schools that foster their overall growth and development.

Please accept this invitation to explore our Catholic schools. Reading this snapshot will hopefully whet your appetite for the real Good News in Education...that our schools are growing and developing students who not only maximize their potential and make you proud as parents, but, more importantly, are alive in the Spirit of Christ and are willing to go into our communities, and the world as a whole, to make substantial difference in the lives of others.

Vincent de Paul Schmidt

Superintendent of Catholic Schools Diocese of Trenton

Catholic **IDENTITY**

Our Catholic schools are grounded in Gospel values from the beginning to the end of each day. From classrooms to sport arenas, from academic assemblies to service projects, Gospel values are being lived by the entire school community. Each year our students contribute thousands of service hours in support of local, national, and global organizations and causes.



Catholic Athletes for Christ began in the world of professional sports. The organization then expanded into college level athletics. The Diocese of Trenton is the first diocese that has established a chapter for high school athletes.

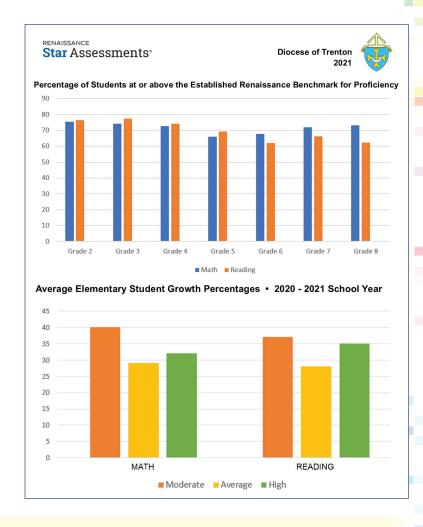
The Catholic school experience includes:

- Daily religion classes
- Prayer throughout the school day
- Weekly and monthly Masses
- Student and faculty retreats
- Reconciliation services
- Living Rosaries
- Service clubs and organizations
- Involvement in the parish

Academic **EXCELLENCE**

In the Catholic schools of the Diocese of Trenton, we seek to provide an education of academic excellence that is both instructional and formative; an education that offers a synthesis of faith and reason; an education rooted in our Catholic faith.

- The Class of 2021 had numerous students recognized by National Merit and as Presidential Scholars
- Members of the Class of 2021 were offered more than \$141,000,000.00 in college scholarships
- Members of the Class of 2021 are enrolled in over 250 different colleges and universities



Did YOU Know???

- Over \$750,000 in tuition assistance will be distributed for students in need during the 2021-22 school year from the Diocese of Trenton.
- The Class of 2021 had a 99% graduation rate and 98% went on to higher education.
- The Catholic schools in the Diocese of Trenton were at the leading edge of schools that remained open and serving their students during the Pandemic of 2020-21.
- The Diocese of Trenton boasts 10 National Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence.
- The Diocese of Trenton is home to a National Green Ribbon School.
- The Diocese of Trenton is home to an International Baccalaureate School.
- Schools in what is now the Diocese of Trenton have been educating children since 1849 – 32 years before the Diocese was established.
- Elementary schools in the Diocese of Trenton are home to National Junior Honor Societies.
- The Diocese of Trenton is home to two National Schools of Character.

You can find more information about us on the web at: www.catholicschoolshaveitall.org or on







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- Adelphi Alfred University Alabama A & M
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- Albright College
- Alvernia University
- American University
- Anna Maria College
- Arcadia University
- Arizona State University
- Assumption University
- Auburn University
- Ava Maria University
- Baylor University
- Bard College
- Barton College
- Baylor University
- Becker College
- Belmont University
- · Bentley University
- Berklee College of Music
- Bluefield State University
- Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Bowie State University
- Bradley University
- Brookdale Community College
- Brunel University London
- Bryant University
- Bucknell University
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- Centenary University
- Chestnut Hill College
- Christopher Newport University
- Clemson University
- Cleveland Institute of Art
- Coastal Carolina University
- Colby College
- College of Charleston

- · Community College of Philadelphia
- Connecticut College
- Cornell University
- · Culinary Institute of America
- Daytona State
- Delaware Valley University
- De Paul University
- De Sales University
- Drexel University
- Drew University
- Duke Kunshan University
- · Duke University
- Duquesne University
- D'Youville College
- East Carolina University
- East Stroudsburg University
- Eastern University
- Eastern Kentucky University
- Eckerd College
- · Elizabethtown College
- Elon University
- Emerson College
- Fairfield University
- Fairleigh Dickinson University (Florham)
- · Fashion Institute of Technology
- Felician University
- Flagler University
- Florida Atlantic University
- Florida Gulf Coast University
- Floridan Institute of Technology
- Florida State University
- · Fordham University
- Franciscan University
- Franklin & Marshall College
- Franklin Pierce University
- Furman University
- Gannon University
- Geneva College
- George Mason University
- George Washington University
- Georgetown University
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- Georgian Court University
- Gettysburg College
- Goucher College
- Grambling State University
- Grove City College
- Hampton University
- · Harvard University
- Hawaii Pacific University
- · High Point University
- Hilbert College
- Hofstra University
- Holy Cross University
- · Holy Family University
- Hood College
- Howard University
- Immaculata University
- Indiana University (Bloomington)
- Iona University
- Ithaca College
- Jacksonville University
- James Madison University
- Jefferson (East Falls Campus)
- Johnson & Wales University (Providence)
- Junita College
- Kean University
- Kent State University
- Kentucky State University
- King's College
- Kingston University London
- · Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
- · La Salle University
- Lafayette College
- LaSalle University
- Le Moyne College
- · Lehigh University
- · Liberty University
- LIM University
- London Metropolitan
- University
- Long Island University (Post)
- Louisiana State University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Loyola University Maryland

- Lycoming University
- · Lynn University
- · Manhattan College
- Marist College
- Marquette University
- Maryland Institute College of Art
- Marymount Manhattan College
- Marymount University
- Marywood University
- Massachusetts College of Art and Design
- McDaniel College
- McGill University
- Mercer County Community College
- Merrimack College
- Messiah University
- Miami University
- Michigan State University
- Middlesex College
- Midlands Technical College
- Millersville University of Pennsylvania
- Misericordia University
- Missouri Southern State University
- Monmouth University
- Montana State University
- Montclair State University
- Montserrat College
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- Moravian University
- Morgan State University
- Mount Holyoke College
- Mount Saint Mary College
- Mount St Mary's University
- Muhlenberg College
- · Myrtle Beach Collegiate Academy
- New England College
- New England Institute of Technology

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- New York University
- Norfolk State University
- North Carolina A & T **State University**
- North Carolina State University
- Northeastern University
- Northwestern University
- Notre Dame of Maryland University
- Nova Southeastern University
- Ocean County College
- Ohio State University
- Old Dominion University
- Pace University (New York City)
- Pennsylvania State University
- Pennsylvania College of Technology
- Point Park University
- Pratt Institute (Main Campus) Princeton University
- Princeton University
- Providence College
- Purdue University
- Quinnipiac University Ramapo College of New
- Jersey Rensselaer Polytechnic
- Institute
- Rider University · Rochester Institute of Technology
- Roger Williams University
- Rowan College at **Burlington County**
- Rowan University
- Rutgers University
- Sacred Heart University
- Saint Andrews University
- Saint Anselm College
- Saint Bonaventure
- University Saint Elizabeth University
- Saint Francis University
- Saint John Fisher University
- Saint John University
- Saint Joseph University
- Saint Leo University Saint Peter University

- Salve Regina University
- San Diego State University
- Santa Clara University
- · Savannah College of Art and Design
- · School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- School of Visual Arts
- Seton Hall University
- Siena College
- · South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
- Stetson University
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- Stockton University
- Stonehill College
- Stony Brook University
- Suffolk University
- SUNY University Albany
- SUNY University at **Buffalo**
- SUNY University Geneseo
- SUNY University New Paltz
- SUNY University Stony **Brook**
- Susquehanna University
- Sweet Briar University
- Syracuse University
- Temple University Tennessee State University
- The Citadel
- The New School
- Thomas College
- Thomas Jefferson University
- Towson University
- Trinity College Trinity University Washington
- · Tulane University of Louisiana
- Tuskegee University
- United States Coast **Guard Academy**
- · University of Alabama
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- University of California (Davis)
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- University of Oregon
- · University of Pittsburgh
- University of Rhode Island

- University of Rochester
- University of Saint **Andrews**
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- University of South Carolina
- University of South Florida
- University of Southern
- Sciences
- University of Tampa
- University of Tennessee (Knoxville)
- University of Texas

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- (Seattle Campus)
- (Madison)
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- Utah College Utica College
- Villanova University
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- Virginia Military Institute Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State
- University
- Wagner College
- Wake Forrest University • Washington and Lee
- University
- Wesleyan University
- of Pennsylvania West Virginia University
- Western Washington University
- Wheaton College
- Wilkes University William Paterson University of New Jersey
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute
- Xavier University
- York College

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- · University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin
- Virginia Commonwealth

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- West Chester University
- Widener University
- · Xavier University of Louisiana
- Pennsylvania