

Saint Cecilia Catholic School Mid-Year Report Card



2019-2020 School Year

Dear Parents:

This report card contains important information about our school. It includes information about our academic performance, the learning environment, teacher qualifications, our faith, and much more.

About Our School:

St. Cecilia Catholic School has a long and rich tradition of high quality education and faith development that began in 1921. To this day, we strive to live out our Catholic beliefs in everything we do. This means that all of our work and efforts are for the glory of God. He is the reason for our school and without Him this school would not exist.

NWEA MAP Testing (Measures of Academic Progress) Scores:

MAP	MATH	MATH	READING	READING	LANGUAGE	LANGUAGE
	St. Cecilia	National	St. Cecilia	National	St. Cecilia	National
K	144	140	148	141	-	-
1	169	162	164	161	-	-
2	190	177	187	175	-	-
3	196	190	198	188	197	189
4	209	202	209	198	210	199
5	219	211	214	206	213	206
6	222	218	217	211	214	211
7	225	223	222	214	222	214
8	239	226	227	217	228	216

The above scores are St. Cecilia School MAP scores compared to the National Norms for the same MAP tests. What is incredible is that St. Cecilia Catholic School students scored better than the National Norms on all 24 tests taken. These tests were taken September 9-27th. MAP testing is done three times throughout the year and will be taken again in the winter and in the spring.

Teacher Data

Average Years of Teaching Experience	17
Teachers With a B.A./B.S.	1
Teachers With a M.A./M.S.	17
Teachers With a Rank I or PhD	3
Teachers With Emergency or Provisional Cert.	0

All teachers must participate in at least 24 hours of professional development each school year. St. Cecilia has a reading specialist to work with students in areas of reading and language. The school also has a counselor who works with the students concerning their social, emotional, behavioral and academic needs.

St. Cecilia Enrollment Data

Enrollment	Ethnicity	Gender	Free/Reduced Lunch
294 Students 245 K-8 49 ECLC	94% White 5% Multi-Racial 1% Asian	51% Female 49% Male	10%

Student to Teacher Ratio	Classrooms with Smartboards
12:1	15

Tuition Rates

K-8	In Parish (Stewardship)	Out of Parish
1 Child	\$4,675	\$5,175
2 Children	\$6,965	\$7,465
3 (or more) Children	\$8,000	\$8,500

K-8 Fees: \$330 (\$100 registration is applied to the school fee)

Aftercare	Per Half Hour Rate
Grades K-8	\$2.50

Preschool	In Parish (Stewardship)	Out of Parish
3-Yr-Old Program	\$1,555	\$1,755
4-Yr-Old Program	\$1,855	\$2,055

Preschool Fees: \$90 (*\$60 if another child is enrolled at St. Cecilia)

Daycare	Full Day	Half Day (less than 5 hours)
Ages 1-5 Years	\$35	\$20

Further Testing

NCEA ACRE Test: Each year, students in each diocese throughout the U.S. take the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) Assessment of Children/Youth Religious Education test otherwise known as ACRE. The ACRE test is given in the 5th and 8th grade to students in both Catholic schools and in parish religious education programs. St. Cecilia will take this test in February.

Faith Development:

St. Cecilia School's mission is to provide an engaging, high quality education guided by the teachings of our Catholic faith. At St. Cecilia we don't just learn about our faith, we live it. We learn to give our time, talents and treasures to the Lord through the following means:

Prayer Opportunities – Students are encouraged to pray often. We attend mass as a school every Monday and Friday. Each day we begin with a prayer and reflection, recite a decade of the rosary, reflect on the saint of the day, pray the Angelus and our lunch prayer, and have a closing prayer. We also participate in the Spiritual Adoption Program.

Sacraments – Students in the second grade are prepared in school for the sacraments of Penance and First Communion. In the eighth grade, students are prepared during school for the sacrament of Confirmation. Reconciliation is offered to students during Advent and Lent. Students attend Mass every Monday and Friday.

Service – St. Cecilia School has been involved in Service Learning for 7 years. Each grade level leads a service project that serves our local parish, the local community, or even other parts of the world. Students in grades 4-8 also perform service work independently.

Faith Opportunities – Throughout the school year, St. Cecilia School has a variety of faith-building activities. These include the Saint Parade, Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Christmas Program, Days of Prayer and Penance for Life, Eucharistic Adoration, and May Crowning. We also apply our faith to current events and will pray additional prayers or the rosary as needed.

Technology at St. Cecilia

St. Cecilia has wireless technology throughout the building. We are 1:1 with chromebooks for grades 5-8 and have 2 chromebook carts for grades K-4. We have a computer lab and have updated all of our computers to Windows 10. This is part of St. Cecilia's long range plan to remain up-to-date with technology bringing 21st century skills to our students.

We have begun our first ever STEAM Program in the new school addition. The funds and support for this program were made possible by those of our community. To begin this program, every general education teacher has arranged for their class to visit the STEAM Lab a minimum of one time per month and also from time to time during their library class. Teachers are finding creative ways to tie in a

STEAM lesson to the existing curriculum in their classroom or they will have the option of choosing from a curriculum binder full of different STEAM prompts for various grade levels. These activities include robotics, coding, engineering, architecture, problem solving, creative thinking, and more.

Students in grades K-8 have a computer class once a week to learn essential computer skills and programs, safety, and typing. Classroom teachers also incorporate technology into their classes through collaborative activities with the computer teacher and by using computer lab time to enhance lessons. Each classroom K-8 is equipped with a Smartboard, which is used in a multitude of ways to provide both stimulating and interactive lessons. We have also purchased two new Bright Link Boards.

St. Cecilia has purchased the rights to the MobyMax program, which is aligned with the Common Core State Standards. It is the only completely integrated K-8 curriculum covering reading, writing, vocabulary, language, math, fact fluency, number sense, social studies, and science. MobyMax can benefit students who are accelerated and need new challenges, but it also identifies learning gaps and then automatically assigns lessons to address missing skills.

Extracurricular Activities:

St. Cecilia School provides a variety of experiences outside of the classroom to enrich students' learning. We offer the following activities: Academic Team, Future Problem Solving, Book Club, Chess Club, Creative Crafters, Drama, Imagination Builders, Computer Club, 4H Leadership, Running Club, Yearbook, Pokemon Club, Student Government, Boy Scouts, On Break Cartoon Writing Club, and Crusader Chronicles Newspaper Club. St. Cecilia also provides athletic opportunities in basketball, soccer, volleyball, and cheerleading.

School Safety and Behavior:

St. Cecilia has a single entry point to the school that is monitored by a staff member and there is video surveillance on all exterior doors. All visitors are required to sign-in. The Independence Police Department provides assistance in providing a safe environment. The school maintains a faith-based code of conduct. All faculty, staff, and volunteers are required to help maintain a safe environment by completing routine background checks and participating in Virtus training. The staff is also trained in CPR and in active shooter training. Drills for fires, earthquakes, tornadoes, and lockdowns are practiced throughout the year.

Awards and Recognition:

On November 8, 2018, St. Cecilia School was awarded the National Blue Ribbon Award for Academic Excellence by the United States Department of Education!

BOTCE Writing Contest Winners:

1st Grade - Kayden Patterson

4th Grade - Liam Vang & Brooke Saalfeld

5th Grade - Paola Spicuzza

6th Grade - Nora Deavy & Piper Patterson

Christ Hospital Northern Kentucky Junior Fire Marshall Poster Contest Winners:

Jenna Pennington, Colin Saalfeld, and Kyla McGuire
100% Participation Award for Entire School

Accelerated Reader – 70% of our students reached their goal for the 1st trimester!

Honors Students – Over 65% of our students were named as Honor Students for the 1st trimester!

Keep Christ In Christmas Poster Contest - Classroom Winners

K1: Riley Heil, Georgia Kramer, Bella Younger

4: Darby McDonald, Ava Pennington

K2: Madison Johnson, Emma Saalfeld

5A: Ella Carroll, Christopher Coutinho

1A: Bridget Fitzgerald, Bailey Thompson

5B: Max Hunt, Landon Kleier, Kali Kreidenweis

1B: Raygn Fuller, Lucas King, Simon Slonkosky

6: Jayden Jent, Kierstin Suedkamp, Carter Zerhusen

2: Addison Allen, Olivia Mc Guire

7: Dominic Dornbusch, Julia Hunt

3A: Lacey Hunt, Brooke Rabijs

8: Addy Saalfeld, Savannah Weibel, Bailey Younger

3B: Mckenzie Meyer, Molly Porada

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest - Group Winners

K-2: Bridget FitzGerald, Madison Johnson, Emma Saalfeld, Bailey Thompson

3 – 5: Ella Carroll, Ava Pennington, Molly Porada, Brooke Rabijs

6 – 8: Jayden Jent, Kiersten Suedkamp, Savannah Weibel, Bailey Younger

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest Overall Results:

K-2 - Emma Saalfeld (Winner), Bridget Fitzgerald (Runner Up)

3-5 - Ava Pennington (Winner), Brooke Rabijs (Runner Up)

6-8 Savanna Weibel (Winner), Bailey Younger (Runner Up)