Why Choose a Catholic High School?

Take a minute to think about all of the difficulties our kids face during their teenage years. It’s a time when they begin to act independently and make choices that can impact the rest of their lives. When they look at the future, they’re often filled with hope and excitement along with some anxiety. They have questions about who they are and what they are called to be. Popular culture and our secular society are bombarding them with many “answers” to those questions each and every day. What young people need during their teenage years is a vibrant, faith-filled environment to teach them the knowledge and wisdom they will need in an increasingly competitive and confusing world.

The mission of a Catholic High School is to provide a faith-filled education built upon Catholic virtues and the life of Jesus Christ. When you visit a Catholic High School, you will feel a mutual respect among students, faculty, and administrators that mirrors the values students are taught at home. Faith, Hope, Charity, Prudence, Justice, Temperance, and Courage - the theological and cardinal virtues - are taught and demonstrated throughout our curriculum and instruction. These virtues are not just words that we proclaim; they are deeply embedded in the way we live and the way we operate our schools. We not only teach the virtues, but demonstrate and model them. They are alive each and every day in all of our classrooms.

Catholic High Schools provide the academic rigor that students need to compete with the very best in the world. Research shows that because of a greater emphasis on homework and study, Catholic School students develop more effective writing skills. In addition, Catholic High School students consistently outperform their peers in a variety of standardized tests. Last year, Catholic high school graduates in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati generated over a quarter of a billion dollars in college scholarship offers.

Recent studies suggest that strong character development may correlate more directly to later life success than traditional school measures such as Grade Point Average or standardized tests. That is the conclusion reached by researcher Paul Tough in a recent New York Times bestseller, How Children Succeed. Tough’s research confirms what we’ve known all along. Our high schools have always emphasized perseverance, toughness, persistence, and grit. We challenge students in all facets of the school with rigorous and demanding work. We expect a lot. We encourage and acknowledge progress while recognizing that students also learn from disappointment and set-backs. As a result, our students learn focus and diligence, working through obstacles to greater success. This prepares them for college, work, and difficulties later in life.

The teenage years are a critical time. Catholic High Schools provide the faith, academic excellence, and perseverance that all of us want for our children. A Catholic High School education is the best choice for what matters most.
The best choice for what matters most

WORTH every Penny

For over a century our Catholic High Schools have built tomorrow’s generation of leaders who understand what it means to persevere, to be selfless, to seek justice, to be disciplined. In short, to know what it means to have Christian character and faith.

WE TEST +2 YRS ABOVE GRADE LEVEL
2013 Iowa Scores
3rd Grade + 1.34
4th Grade + 1.59
5th Grade + 1.79
6th Grade + 2.03
7th Grade + 2.83
+ = grades ahead of norm, tested grade equivalent vs. norm

ACT Top 25% Nationally

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FAITH IN CLASSROOM
Knowledge for success
Courage to grow
Wisdom to follow God’s plan for their lives

FAITH IN ACTION
133,427 HOURS
High school community service hours of 2013 Graduating Class

99% of high school graduates pass the Ohio Graduation Test

98% of high school graduates continue education in college

67% of high school graduates receive scholarship offers

$250,630,633
Scholarships offered to high school class of 2012

206 National Merit Finalists*
184 National Merit Semi-Finalists*
*In the last 4 years

GCL GREATER CATHOLIC LEAGUE

Teaching principles of fair play, sportsmanship and honest competition for generations

3 Divisions: Co-ed, Girls, South (Boys) | 16 Sports | 500 Teams

Visit a Catholic High School Open House. We have a school that’s right for YOU!

ALTER Sunday, Nov. 3
BADIN Sunday, Oct. 20
BISHOP PENNICK Sunday, Nov. 10
CARROLL Sunday, Nov. 17
CATHOLIC CENTRAL Contact School
CHAMINADE JULIENNE Sunday, Oct. 27
DEPAUL CRISTO REY Saturday, Oct. 19
ELDER Sunday, Nov. 3
LASALLE Sunday, Nov. 3
LEHMAM Sunday, Nov. 17
MCAULEY Sunday, Oct. 13
MCNICHOLAS Sunday, Oct. 27
MOELLER Sunday, Nov. 3
MOTHER OF MERCY Sunday, Oct. 27
MT. NOTRE DAME Sunday, Nov. 3
PURCELL MARIAN Sunday, Nov. 17
ROGER BACON Sunday, Oct. 20
ROYALMONT Wednesday, Nov. 13
SETON Thursday, Oct. 24
ST. RITA Tuesday, Apr. 8
ST. URSULA Sunday, Oct. 27
ST. XAVIER Sunday, Nov. 17
SUMMIT COUNTRY DAY Thursday, Nov. 21
URSULINE Sunday, Nov. 3

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