



SAINT CECILIA CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

"Higher education starts here"

Parent Newsletter

May 2, 2017
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ADVANC-ED RESULTS (Part 2)



The AdvancED accreditation report for St. Cecilia School included an evaluation of the **Leadership Capacity Domain**. After examining such factors as purpose and direction, stakeholder engagement, and governance and leadership effectiveness, they found the following Powerful Practices at St. Cecilia School:

- The school leadership and staff embrace change and commit to a culture that is based on shared values and beliefs.
- Catholic Identity is embedded throughout all aspects of the students' education.
- A strong sense of faith-filled community.
- Leadership protects and supports student learning.

The Index of Education Quality in the Teaching and Learning Impact Domain averages 293.71 for the AdvancED Network schools. St. Cecilia School's IEQ was **327.27!**

PARTNERS IN FAITH – May

Attached is the May issue of *Partners in Faith*. Highlights of this issue include the main article which offers five suggestions to help every family become a happier family. The main article on page 2 tells that research shows that children of families that gather around a meal together at least three times a week feel secure, have a better sense of family, and are less likely to engage in risky behavior.



WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The **7th and 8th grades** visited Fontenelle Forest. The 7th graders investigated the world of birds, discovering their adaptations and how they survive in the winter. The 8th grade program was "Owls and Population Dynamics." Students dissected owl pellets and then made statistical inferences based on the analysis of the pellets.

In Social Studies, the **6th grade** students studied the Renaissance with an emphasis on Michaelangelo and the Sistine Chapel. Students (right) taped paper to the bottom of their desks to "paint like Michaelangelo."



The **5th graders** (left) completed their Archdiocesan Religion Assessment projects. Students created a Game Show to demonstrate what they have learned about the presence of Christ in the 7 Sacraments.

2017-2018 Tuition

At the Board of Education Spring Parent Meeting, Fr. Gutsell announced that there would be no tuition increases again this year.

The tuition will remain:

In-Parish- \$2700

Out-of-Parish - \$3650

PreKindergarten - \$1850

Upcoming EVENTS

May 4 – **SKATE DAZE** Party – 6-8 p.m.

May 5 – **11:30 Dismissal-Teacher Inservice**

May 6 – ABC 8th Grade Banquet

May 7-13 – Teacher Appreciation Week!

May 7 – First Holy Communion

May 16 – Middle School Honors Assembly @ 11:15

May 17, 19 – SONGFEST @ 1:30

May 23 – Field Day

Happy Teacher Appreciation Week!
If you can read this, thank a teacher.



Next week, May 7-13, is **Teacher Appreciation Week**. I know that you appreciate all that the teachers do for your children. If possible, please take this opportunity to let the teachers know that you appreciate them!



Parent Steve Torneten gave an Earth Day presentation to Kindergarten-5th grade students. They learned how to help animals and people of the earth by preventing air, land, and water pollution by using such things as electric cars, cloth shopping bags, and non-plastic water bottles.



All St. Cecilia
Library books
are due this
week.



Creighton University Baseball

We have vouchers in the school office that will admit up to 6 people for the Saturday, May 13, 6:30 P.M. Game. Let us know if you could use one.



FREE SKATING PARTY

Thursday, **MAY 4**
6:00pm – 8:00 pm
SKATE FOR FREE!

Meal Deals available.

See the attached flyer for details!



Music in Catholic Schools Band Concert

May 7 at 7:00 P.M. at Roncalli High
School Auditorium

TUESDAY, MAY 23



Each class is asked to wear a specific color shirt on that day. Please see the attached flyer for the designated colors.

Saint Cecilia Cathedral School

The Mission of St. Cecilia Cathedral School is to:



Teach and live the Catholic Faith within
in a nurturing family-like community.

Teach respect for all.

Foster each student's academic potential.

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