



23 Amazing Ways Catholic School Benefits Students!

- 1) Parents choose Catholic schools for their children because of **high academic standards**; values-added education and a **safe school environment**.
- 2) Catholic Schools stress the value of **self-discipline** and **commitment**.
- 3) Catholic Schools **encourage family input and involvement** in the ongoing education of their children. Research shows that such a partnership results in higher attendance rates and lower dropout rates.
- 4) Catholic School students **score significantly above the national averages** on standardized testing.
- 5) Research shows that because of a greater emphasis on homework and study, Catholic School students **develop more effective writing skills**.
- 6) Catholic School **faculty members are qualified professionals** committed to bringing out the best in their students as they **grow in knowledge, skills, and values**.
- 7) Faculty and staff are **role models** who share their faith, their talents, and their time.
- 8) The Catholic School **curriculum normally meets state regulations and guidelines**.
- 9) Association and accrediting agencies help provide programs and instruments for internal and external evaluations on an ongoing basis.
- 10) Catholic Schools have an **excellent success rate in educating minority students**.
- 11) Catholic Schools encourage each student to **accept the challenges of being a better person in tomorrow's world**.
- 12) The emphasis is on **participation** by all students.
- 13) Standardized test scores and a high college acceptance rate reflect that the Catholic School students are **self-disciplined, self-motivated, responsible, and creative**.
- 14) Appropriate **social and cultural activities**, under school sponsorship, provide relaxation and creative outlets.
- 15) Catholic Schools represent **affordable excellence**; there is an emphasis on efficiency and accountability.
- 16) Tuition cost is often supplemented by the parish, so the **Catholic community shares the cost of education**.
- 17) In addition to a strong program in the "basics," as well as challenging programs for gifted students, Catholic Schools add the significant "plus" of **religious, moral, and spiritual development**.
- 18) Catholic Schools help students understand that **each person is unique and valuable**.
- 19) Catholic Schools strive to create a **special bond among the students, the home, the school, and the church**, so that all share the **strong sense of community**.
- 20) In Catholic Schools there is a mutual respect among students, faculty, and administrators which generates an **atmosphere of care and concern**.
- 21) Catholic Schools join with the family to help students **understand their special place in the family, the Church, and society**.
- 22) Students **explore their faith** through classes and activities in Scripture, Sacraments, Church, and morality.
- 23) While not all students who come to Catholic Schools are Catholic, **all share experiences of faith and values**.

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