



At Frassati we know that middle school is one of the most important junctures of a students' education. It's a time full of changes and challenges, but also growth and reward.

Our fundamental STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) curriculum is fine tuned to make the most of this important transitional time between Elementary and High School.

Personalized Education with Individual Attention

Now more importantly than ever, individual assessment and attention is the key to success. Our Middle School faculty work in a team environment ensuring that they go beyond teaching our students, they get to know our students on a personal level. This level of personal understanding and attention is not only crucial for academic success now, but also gives each student the personalized tools they need to succeed in high school and beyond.

Middle School faculty have office hours on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week from 2:15pm-3:00pm. Students are provided a safe, quiet environment to complete homework, retake tests or just get extra help. These are not tutoring sessions, rather a monitored learning environment giving students an edge to succeed and faculty valuable time to get to know each student.

Technology

Technology changes quickly and Frassati makes it a priority to equip all students with the latest and most relevant technology to succeed.

Technology for Student Use

- 40 iPads for use with apps and creative projects
- 55 Chromebooks
- A Google account for each student and teacher for research and work completion
- 28 iMacs in a lab setting

Service

We believe that education is more than test scores, emotional and spiritual education is crucial to developing socially and morally mature adults.

Service Opportunities

- Mass Planning: all middle school students serve the school and community by planning over half of our school Masses with Ms. Mueller
- Community Support: trained students perform corporal works of mercy by running the projector system at parish funerals as well as during our school Masses
- Student Ambassadors: middle school students under the guidance of a middle school staff person identify and plan service opportunities for the school, they also provide peer tutoring for students who need assistance



Beyond the Classroom

A well rounded student is a motivated, successful and happy student. Frassati Catholic Academy is proud to offer many enrichment and extra-curricular opportunities to our students.

Middle School Enrichment Opportunities:

- CAA Sports- Soccer, Volleyball, Hockey, Swimming, Basketball, Baseball, Softball, Golf Tournament
- Drama Club
- Student Ambassador Program
- ELC Trip
- Washington D.C Trip
- Mass Choir
- Band
- Altar Servers
- Mass Buddies
- School Patrol
- After School Piano
- First Lego League
- Lenten retreat

ACADEMIC CURRICULUM BY YEAR

SIXTH GRADE

Pre-Algebra and MS Geometry
General Science
Religion
Spanish (3 days per week)
Art (2 days per week)
Physical Education (2 days per week)
English
Technology (2 days per week)
Social Studies
Literature

SEVENTH GRADE

Pre-Algebra and MS Geometry
General Science
Religion
Spanish (3 days per week)
Art (2 days per week)
Physical Education (2 days per week)
English
Technology (2 days per week)
Social Studies – US History
Literature

EIGHTH GRADE

Algebra I
General Science
Religion
Spanish (3 days per week)
Art (2 days per week)
Physical Education (2 days per week)
English
Technology (2 days per week)
Social Studies – World
Geography/Economics
Literature

NWEA MAP ASSESSMENTS FALL 2015

GRADE	MATH	READING	SCIENCE
SIXTH	FCA 222 / Norm 217.6	FCA 219.1 / Norm 211	FCA 204.6 / Norm 204.3
SEVENTH	FCA 233.2 / Norm 222.6	FCA 224.2 / Norm 214.4	FCA 215.4 / Norm 207.2
EIGHTH	FCA 239.2 / Norm 226.3	FCA 229.4 / Norm 217	FCA 220 / Norm 211.2

****Scores are based on the grade level average at Frassati Catholic Academy vs. the National Norm****



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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**.

Source: <http://www.admissionsquest.com/~resources/Showarticle.cfm/articleid/80/articletypeid/5/topic/catholic-school-benefits> Author: John Connolly

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