



*St. Joseph's School strives for academic excellence by encouraging
the development of each child
-mind, body and spirit-
within an environment of Christian values
and the Catholic Faith.*

-School Mission Statement

St. Joseph's State of the School Report (June 2018)

Enrollment 2017-2018

End of the year enrollment in Kindergarten through Grade Six during 2017-2018 was 150. Preschool 4 year old program enrollment was 35, bringing the school total to 185 students. Fifteen 6th Graders graduated from St. Joseph's School on May 30.

Projected Enrollment 2018-2019

Total projected enrollment is 190. At the time of this report, 15 students from our Grade 5 class are enrolled for Grade 6 for the fall, and 17 students are enrolled in Grade 5. Kindergarten registrations are at 25 students for 2017-2018. Classes are at maximum number (25) with waiting lists, in Kindergarten and grades 1, 2, and 4.

Preschool 2018-2019

We will continue with two 4-Year-Old programs next year, each one four half-days, Monday-Thursday. We have 36 students registered for our 4-year old Preschool program as of this date.

Preschool License Renewed

Our preschool passed its "audit" this spring, and our license was renewed. Many thanks to our preschool teacher and assistant who put in many hours to prepare for this onsite visit from DHS (Department of Human Services-Minnesota).

Staffing

Mrs. Katherine Johnson, grade 5 teacher, retired at the end of this year after 24 years of educational service to our school. We wish her many adventures and blessings in her retirement. Mrs. Anne Kelling will be our new grade 5 teacher. She, her husband and two

sons are members of St. Joseph's Parish. She is close to attaining her Masters level in education and comes to us with classroom teaching experience. Welcome, Mrs. Kelling!

All other positions will remain the same for 2018-2019 as this past year.

We will continue to have teaching assistants work with our younger students and their teachers every day. This support enriches the educational experience of the children.

Counseling Services

Counseling Services are now available onsite at St. Joseph's School through Northland Counseling Center. Miss Lauren Flood, LMFT, works with individuals two days a week. Lauren is an alumna of St. Joseph's School. We are very fortunate to be able to offer this service for children. Miss Flood will continue with her work here in 2018-2019.

Curriculum

We implemented a new math curriculum in K-6 this year. We are purchasing new science curriculum materials for use beginning this fall 2018.

St. Joseph's School works with District 318 to provide consistency in academics for our students as they transition from our 6th Grade to the Middle School.

NWEA-MAP Testing

We administer the Northwest Evaluation Association (nwea) Measurement of Academic Progress (MAP) computerized tests three times per year. Results are sent home to parents. Our faculty has gone through an analysis of these scores for classes as a whole as well as for individual students. We use these results to improve our academic program for the following year

School Speak

School Speak is our school information system (SIS). All school families have access to this system; it is password protected. Classroom and school information is communicated through School Speak.

St. Joseph's School Board

Our school board spent time this year working on accreditation goals from our School Strategic Plan. Areas of focus included creating and responding to online parent survey about our school, technology, fundraising analysis in area of Scrip, budget preparation for 2018-2019. School Board hosted a "State of the School" information evening in January (complete with taco dinner!). This presentation is posted on School Speak.

School Board also served coffee the first week of school, supported our teachers/staff with decorations, breakfast and snacks during Teacher Appreciation Week. MANY thanks to the board members who worked on these projects!

Calendar & School Supply Lists

Our 2018-19 calendar and school supply lists will be posted on SchoolSpeak and on our website in July.

(www.stjosephscatholic.org/school).

I am available to talk with you about any of the information contained in this report. Please call if you have questions or concerns. Enjoy your children and the time you spend together this summer-I pray your blessings will be many!

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