



ST. IGNATIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2017-2018
ANNUAL REPORT



Growing leaders who turn FAITH into ACTION.

Academic Excellence - Faith Formation - Service - Social Justice - Strength of Community

St. Ignatius Catholic School Mission Statement

St. Ignatius is a Christ-centered Catholic school committed to the Ignatian traditions of academic excellence and teaching students to live their Catholic faith through service and the promotion of justice. Our community - school, families, parish - seeks to inspire students to reach their potential, to act with initiative and integrity, and to engage the world as a place where God can be found in all things.



Dear St. Ignatius Catholic School Family,

The seeds of our first year have been planted, nurtured and are taking off. The familiar St. Ignatius mantra “Ite Inflamate Omnia” (Go forth and set the world on fire), morphed from words into actions over the course of the last year. The sparks that adorned our inaugural year have turned to flames. Our culture and our charism, our mission, and our model have caught fire.

As you read through our second annual report, you will see the many ways that our efforts have caught fire--in the service and faith formation our students have experienced, in the learning model that prioritizes personalization and individual growth, and in the community that has become a Catholic school family.

It takes time, energy and strong commitment to nurture a spark. We know that the Spirit that fills our halls is vibrant because of the incredible support from our parish, our benefactors, and our families. This fall St. Ignatius Catholic School became the largest Catholic grade school in the state of Idaho. This would not be possible without the amazing community that nurtures our flame, keeping our work ablaze and growing.

Thank you for your continued support as we celebrate the Spirit that is alive and bright at St. Ignatius Catholic School.

With sincere gratitude,

Andi Kane
Principal, St. Ignatius Catholic School





CELEBRATING 2017-2018 MILESTONES

On August 22, 2017, St. Ignatius Catholic School opened its doors for the first ever, first day of school. We welcomed 410 excited and eager students and 45 dynamic staff members to begin our journey together.

We had an exciting year full of "firsts"-- our first Mass of the Holy Spirit, our first of daily spiritual services throughout Advent, our first of many service events like Rake Up Boise and the Thanksgiving Food Drive, our first Lenten Faith in Action Fair, and our first Grandparent's Day.

We celebrated our first school-wide accomplishments like our 8th Grade Boys Hallissey Basketball Tournament Championship. We also celebrated the accomplishments of individual student, including recipients of the Mayor's Award to Youth, the Carley Scholarship, the Sterling Humanitarian Award, the Gray Wolf Path to BK Award, and the Holy Apostles Angel Fund Award.

Students made new friends and tried new things—and so did parents and teachers.

We graduated 25 outstanding 8th grade students, and we celebrated with 2nd and 3rd grade students who received their First Holy Communion.

It was a year of growing, learning, and serving. We created school traditions and history, and we strengthened our St. Ignatius/Holy Apostles community. By May, we had re-enrolled over 90% of our students for the 2018-2019 school year, and finished our school year off with great memories and excited anticipation for another great year to come!

St. Ignatius Catholic School is proud to present our first graduating 8th grade class!

One of the most exciting parts of our inaugural year was graduating 25 wonderful young men and women who we know will go on to be leaders who turn FAITH into *ACTION*. We thank these students and their families for joining us on this journey as the inaugural 8th grade graduating class of St. Ignatius Catholic School. We enjoyed watching you grow in your faith, friendships, academics, and dedication to service and social justice. May you continue to be growing, learning, loving, reverent, seekers of justice in high school and throughout your life.



St. Ignatius Graduates at Graduation

It is our goal that in their time at St. Ignatius, students grow mentally, physically, emotionally, and spiritually while constantly reaching for their highest potential. We hope they honor God by making choices that are for the greater good. It is our mission that St. Ignatius students will leave here with the following characteristics:



St. Ignatius students are always GROWING.

They seek out opportunities to expand their minds, imaginations, feelings, and connection to God.



St. Ignatius students are constantly LEARNING.

They are seekers of knowledge and strive to reach their highest potential in all areas, including academics.



St. Ignatius students are LOVING.

They are actively looking for opportunities to see outside themselves and extend their love and mercy to others.



St. Ignatius students are REVERENT.

They have a deep respect and awe for God that extends to all people, creatures, and the earth.



St. Ignatius students are SEEKERS OF JUSTICE.

They recognize injustice in the world and feel compelled to take action to assist those in need. They prepare themselves to become responsible, concerned citizens of the world.

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THANK YOU to Holy Apostles Parish for continuing to provide financial and spiritual support to our community.

THANK YOU to all of the businesses and individuals who donated items for our Ignite the Night auction, and THANK YOU to all of the volunteers, attendees and auction purchasers!

In addition to our generous benefactors, we are sincerely grateful to all who given of time and talent to St. Ignatius Catholic School. We thank you for giving of yourself to further the mission of St. Ignatius Catholic School.

THANK YOU for turning your FAITH into Action!

A Message from Fr. Len MacMillan...

I want to take a moment to thank each of you for the grace, support, and generosity you have shown to St. Ignatius Catholic School during our inaugural year. Each of you is an important part of our St. Ignatius community and should be proud of what we have accomplished together. I want to thank the staff, parents, and students of St. Ignatius Catholic School for their willingness to take this leap of faith with us, and for the many sacrifices that you make every day to offer this opportunity to the children of St. Ignatius.

Together, we have created a community where our children can grow socially, emotionally, academically, physically, and spiritually. I have witnessed our students growing in their faith and learning how to turn faith into action. More importantly, we are making this education a reality for all those who wish to pursue this extraordinary opportunity regardless of financial barriers. Most important of all, we are taking a journey of faith together as disciples, and as family.

Again, I thank you for your supporting the mission of St. Ignatius Catholic School, and for your continued commitment to our future. I am honored by your trust, and I thank God every day for you.

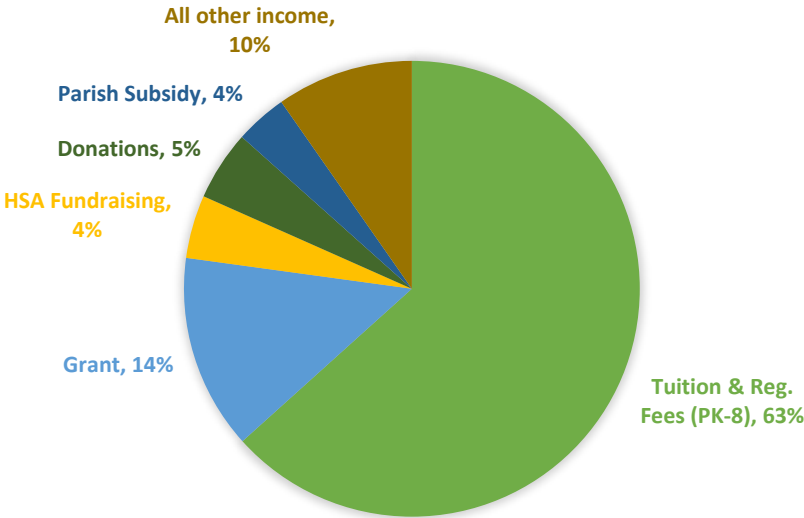
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Fr. Len MacMillan

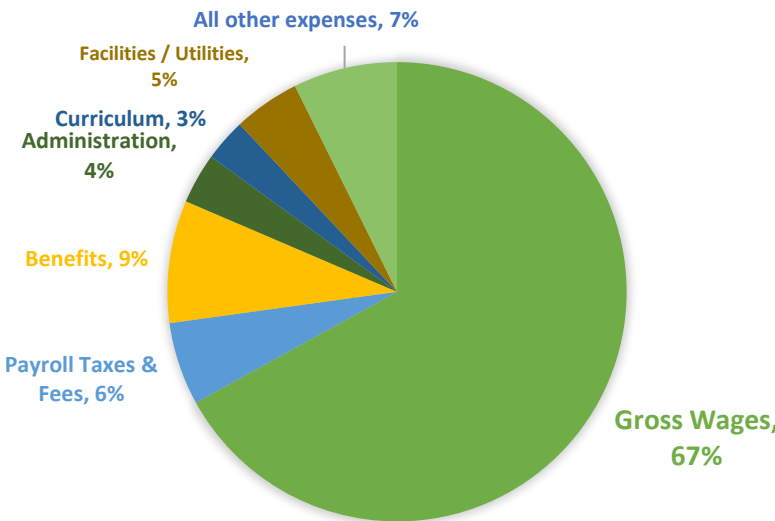


BY THE NUMBERS....

2017-2018 INCOME



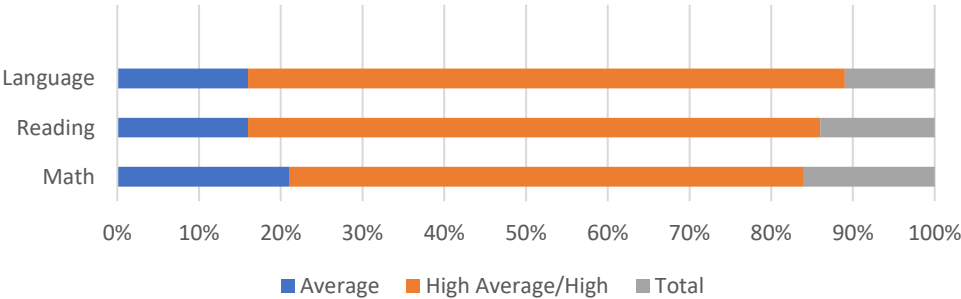
2017-2018 EXPENSES



The financial information above reflects financial information for the fiscal year running July 1, 2017- June 30, 2016 and is prepared in accordance with the basis of accounting prescribed by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE BY THE NUMBERS

Spring 2018 MAP Testing Results for St. Ignatius Catholic School



BY THE NUMBERS....

452 Pre-K- 8th grade students enrolled*

55 staff members*

88.4% of St. Ignatius students are registered members of Holy Apostles Catholic Church*

100% of students are offered tuition at a rate that is below our cost to educate***

94.5% of students receive some additional kind of tuition assistance (including, parish discount, sibling discount, diocesan employee discount, or financial assistance)**

17 faculty members hold a Master's Degree or above and our full-time staff has 305 years of experience*

100% of students participate in a service and/or social justice project each year***

4,200 laps were run by 450 students/staff participating in our before school Run-Walk Program- helping create lifelong healthy habits and forge our commitment to student physical growth**

\$134,258 was thoughtfully donated to support our program through Gray Wolves Giving or other donations (not including contributions to the Capital Campaign)**

\$121,600 was generously donated by our HSA to SI through fundraising events**

\$100,000 was generously contributed to our program by Holy Apostles Catholic Church

(* Based on 2018/2019 academic year)
(** Based on 2017/2018 academic year)
(*** Based on all academic years)



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Our ability to maintain affordable tuition for all, and financial assistance to those who need it, depends on the philanthropic generosity of many. The actual cost to educate each St. Ignatius student is \$6,500.00. As parents know, the tuition paid for each student is substantially less than \$6,500.00. That means that every student that attends St. Ignatius benefits from the generosity of our donors.

To maintain our current tuition/income model, our budget requires that we raise \$200,000 per year through the generosity of our community. Your gifts “bridge the gap” between the actual cost to educate a student at St. Ignatius and the amount of tuition paid for each student. Without substantial financial support from our community, we will not be able to maintain these substantial tuition discounts. Gray Wolves Giving gives donors a vehicle to make an incredibly tax effective contribution directly to the school by taking advantage of the Idaho Education Tax Credit. Using the Idaho Education Tax Credit, it doesn’t have to cost a lot to make a big difference at St. Ignatius Catholic School.

The Idaho Education Tax Credit lets you support Idaho Catholic Schools with dollars you would otherwise pay on your Idaho Income Tax Return. The State will CREDIT 50% of the first \$500 for an individual or \$1000 for a married couple filing jointly. In addition, the normal charitable deduction permits you to deduct the amount of your contribution on your Federal Income Tax Return as well as on your State Income Tax Return. (If you itemize your deductions). Depending on your tax bracket and liability, your contribution to St. Ignatius could cost you very little. As always, we recommend discussing your specific tax situation with your tax advisor.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION!

Join us in 2018-2019!

*Dec 20, 2018
Christmas Concert*

*March 9, 2019
Ignite the Night!*

*April 27, 2019
1st Holy Communion*

*Jan 27- Feb 2
Catholic Schools
Week*

*May 4, 2019
Spring Art Soiree*

*May 23, 2019
8th Grade
Baccalaureate Mass*

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