



ST. IGNATIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE * FAITH FORMATION
SERVICE/SOCIAL JUSTICE * STRENGTH OF COMMUNITY

St. Ignatius 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.



Welcome

Welcome to St. Ignatius Catholic School. We are a Pre-K-8th grade school modeled in the Ignatian tradition of education with a focus on academic excellence, faith formation, social justice and service, and strength of community. The faculty and staff at St. Ignatius strive to help each child seek the MAGIS, "the more"— by recognizing the unique gifts and talents of each individual and helping strengthen those God-given abilities so that they can become agents of goodness and change in the world. We are committed to developing the whole child— heart, mind, body, and soul.



At A Glance:

- 482 Pre-K- 8th grade students and 58 committed professionals on staff.
- 2 classes at each grade level with small class sizes ranging from 22-26 for K-8.
- Innovative academic model that combines station rotation, blended learning, skills based grouping across grade level, and individualized learning plans to meet the needs of each student.
- Departmentalized middle school with lockers, student selected electives (including art, Spanish, computer science, student leadership course, makerspace, lifetime fitness, choir/orchestra).
- STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art Math) interwoven into the science curriculum, enhanced by Makerspace and science lab. Music (K-8), fine arts, (K-8), choir, and liturgy opportunities.
- Outdoor learning space, community garden, and opportunities for outdoor learning and exploration.
- Full/part time pre-school options for 3-4 year old students.
- State of the art building with flex learning spaces to facilitate skills-based grouping and collaboration, flooded in natural light and modern technology infrastructure.
- K-8 service and social justice curriculum, including individual, class and school wide service projects and Social Justice Fair.
- School wide, up-to-date technology, including smart TVs in each classroom, iPads and ChromeBooks for K-6th grade and 1:1 ChromeBook device for 7th-8th grade.
- Participation in Treasure Valley Catholic Schools sports programs and activities, including football, track, cross country, basketball, volleyball, band.
- Academic differentiation and individualization with additional support services as we are reasonably able to offer.
- Before and after school care available.
- Focus on teaching healthy habits including run-walk club, wellness program, healthy hot lunch offered daily.

GROWING LEADERS WHO TURN FAITH INTO ACTION!



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

In the Ignatian tradition, quality teaching, critical thinking, and rigorous academic standards are the cornerstone to growing each child to their highest potential. We offer a rich and vibrant PreK-8 Catholic education that blends traditional academic course work with a commitment to enrichment curriculum in the arts, music, and foreign language. We respect the individuality of each child, and we are committed to addressing the academic challenges and strengths of each student. Our small class sizes provide increased individual attention, student-teacher interaction and individualized learning opportunities.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith formation is essential to the true development of the whole child. At St. Ignatius, we believe that student growth flourishes in an environment where prayer, faith and moral contemplation are encouraged and supported. Rather than avoiding issues of morality and faith, we believe it is our privilege and responsibility to encourage prayer, thoughtful reflection, and responsible action on moral and ethical issues to create agents of change for our future.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & SERVICE

In the Ignatian tradition, we strive to grow students who make concrete actions of love and service a priority in everyday life, and who see the importance in discovering the work that Christ calls each one of them to do. Students are engaged in a process of exploring the distinctive and constructive ways in which their knowledge and talents will best serve society. All students put their faith into action through participation in age appropriate hands-on service to the Treasure Valley community.

STRENGTH OF COMMUNITY

St. Ignatius Catholic School is enveloped in the strength and commitment of the greater community of Holy Apostle Catholic Church. At St. Ignatius Catholic School, the growth of our students is a cooperative and collaborative effort by and among families, the school community and the church. It is within this community of love and support that students are able to begin discovering their own sense of identity within the community and begin to share their own gifts and talents for the benefit of others. Through active participation, students learn to take increasing responsibility for the betterment of their communities and assume active and critical leadership roles in their world.

93.7% of our K-3 students agree or strongly agree that their work makes them think

95.5% of our 4-8 students agree or strongly agree that their teacher expects them to do their best

92.9% of our K-3 students say they like school

95% of our parents feel that we have solid instruction of Catholic church teaching

91.6% of our parents feel that we are meeting our goal of service/social justice

95.2% of our parents report that their students feel welcome at school

95.5% of our K-3 students feel that their teachers care about them

*based upon 2018-2019 survey data

Average K-8
student RIT
percentile score on
NWEA nationally
referenced testing

MATH
83.4%

LANGUAGE
90.3%

READING
91.1%

GRAD AT GRAD

THE PATH OF ST. IGNATIUS

It is our goal that in their time at St. Ignatius, students grow intellectually, 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. St. Ignatius students should strive for 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.

ST. IGNATIUS STUDENTS ARE KIDS FOR OTHERS.

To take the next steps in enrolling:

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Or join us any Wednesday at 10:30am for a tour!

