



STATE OF THE SCHOOL REPORT 2024

Extraordinary Education,
Small School Environment,
Endless Possibilities.



Cathedral School



Our Mission

Cathedral School is a vibrant Preschool-8th grade Catholic school that teaches the Catholic faith and provides a learning environment where students can develop their full potential academically, socially and spiritually. Open to students of all faiths, Cathedral School fosters the role of the family as we work together to facilitate a well-rounded Catholic education that elevates academic excellence, promotes community service, and empowers students through the Fruits of the Spirit to follow the example and teachings of Christ.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Created in 2021 by the Diocese of Superior, the School Executive Board is responsible for supporting the Catholic identity, enrollment, marketing, human resources, capital improvements and fiscal management of the Catholic School.

Members:

Mrs. Tessa Ramsey
Mr. Drew Liebaert
Fr. Andrew Ricci
Mrs. Jaime Samarziya
Mrs. Colleen Tuura
Mrs. Jessica Poskozim
Mrs. Peggy Schoenfuss (Ex-Offio)

SERVICE PROJECTS

Service to the community is a core teaching of Cathedral School. Students are taught to think of the world beyond themselves and how they can make a difference.

2023-2024 Service Projects:

October - 2nd Grade Food Drive
November - Cards for Veterans
December - Paper Product Drive for St. Vincent de Paul
January - 1st Grade Pop Tab Collection
February - Cards for Phil's Friends
March - Cards for Senior Citizens
April - Douglas County Humane Society
May - Middle School Rummage Sale



Enrollment & Outlook

Our students have grown this year, academically and spiritually. We have been blessed with a successful school year, dedicated hard working teachers, and phenomenal students. Our Cathedral family is stronger than ever!

Cathedral School saw growth this year in the Pre-K program, as more parents of 3 and 4 year olds in our community are choosing a small school environment for their children. Grades K-3 continue to show a positive trend of increased enrollment over the last 6 years.

Every 7 years we undergo an intensive On Site Visit for accreditation with the Wisconsin Religious & Independent Schools Accreditation (WRISA). We are pleased to report that Cathedral School has once again been recommended for full accreditation!



Save the Date

Watch for more information on each of these dates!

Sept. 25 - Blue Mass

Oct. 2 - Blessing of the Pets

Nov. 1 - All Saints Day Mass

Nov. 2 - Wish Upon a Star
Dinner Auction

Nov. 11 - Veterans Day
Program

Nov. 13 - Grandparents Day

Dec. 19 - Middle School
Concert

Dec. 20 - PreK & Elementary
Concert



OUR FAITH

Christian formation is the hallmark of the Catholic school. As such, Cathedral School provides a learning environment in which Christian values are integrated into all aspects of the school.

The philosophy of Cathedral School is founded on the principles of the Gospel message, Worship, Community, and Service. Cathedral School is committed to academic excellence and to teaching tolerance and social justice to the school community in order to evangelize for Christ. Based on these principles, the members of the faculty, staff, clergy, and parents are committed to teaching the whole child with love, understanding and compassion.

Cathedral School serves the Roman Catholic Parishes of Cathedral of Christ the King, St. Francis Xavier, Holy Assumption, St. Anthony in Superior, St. Anthony in Lake Nebagamon and St. William in Foxboro, and surrounding communities.



Barbara J. Milroy Science Lab

This spring, Father Andrew dedicated the Third floor Science Lab Classroom in memory of Barbara J. Milroy. Phil Milroy, a longtime supporter and friend of Cathedral School, spoke to the Middle School students. He explained that when he was in school, Superior had 7 Catholic Grade Schools and 1 Catholic High School. Now, Cathedral School is the only Catholic School in our city. He reminds us that is all of our blessing & our responsibility to make sure that our school continues to thrive, and can be a place where morals, faith, and an excellent education are freely shared. Our thanks to the Milroy Family for their support and dedication!



Outstanding Academics

As we continue to strive for excellence in education, it's important to highlight the role of MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) testing in our school. This innovative assessment tool is integral to our mission of fostering academic growth and personalized learning for every student.

- The test allows teachers to pinpoint individual strengths and areas needing improvement, ensuring that instruction is tailored to each student's needs.
- MAP testing helps identify learning gaps early, allowing for timely intervention. By addressing these gaps promptly, we can provide students with the support they need to succeed academically.
- MAP tests offer a standardized measure of academic performance, enabling comparisons across different schools and districts. This helps ensure educational equity and that all students have access to high-quality education.

In summary, MAP testing is a powerful tool that enhances educational outcomes and supports our commitment to student success. By continuing to utilize MAP tests, we are investing in the future of our students and ensuring that they receive the best education possible.

73%

of students scored at or above the national average in
READING

63%

of students scored at or above the national average in
MATH

75%

of students scored at or above the national average in
SCIENCE

FINANCES & DEMOGRAPHICS

Cathedral School receives financial support through:

- Yearly subsidies from the six Catholic Parishes in the city of Superior, Foxboro, and Lake Nebagamon
- Through its Annual Appeal to alumni and other gifts
- Fundraising (Wish Upon a Star Dinner Auction & Read-a-Fun)
- Through student tuition

In addition, costs are kept down through our school family's volunteer service hours.

An annual budgeting process addressing tuition costs, staffing adjustments, and cost of living expenses is reviewed with the School Executive Board, then passed by the Cathedral of Christ the King Finance Council and Parish Council. Regular in-depth reviews are held to manage the school as a viable business and have a positive impact in our Catholic Community.

Cathedral School has an eye on the future needs of our faith-based families. Fiscal prudence, growth of our endowment, and gifts from benefactors have kept Cathedral School in a solid financial state while simultaneously allowing significant strides in improving one-to-one technology for students, upgrading classrooms to meet current times, and ensuring the building's integrity for years to come.

Cathedral School Operational Budget 2024-2025

Income:

Tuition & Programing	\$671,990.00
Tuition Assistance	\$30,000.00
Parish Subsidies	\$264,621.00
Development & Other	\$250,611.00

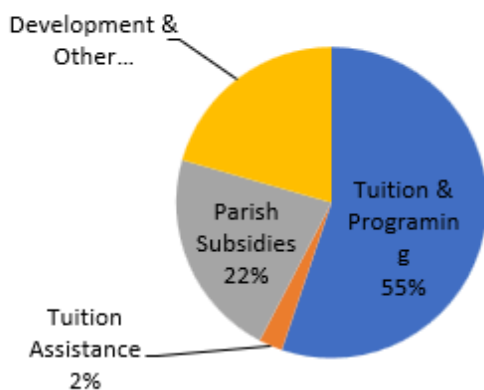
Total: \$1,217,222.00

Expense:

Wages & Benefits	\$993,000.00
Insurances	\$26,000.00
Programing & Office	\$86,722.00
Facility & Grounds	\$111,500.00

Total: \$1,217,222.00

Income



Expense

