

Mt. St. Mary Academy Report Card

Mission

Established in 1859, Mt. St. Mary Academy is the oldest continuously operating Catholic school west of the Mississippi River. An educational ministry of the Catholic Church, we are proud to serve families from the Parishes of St. Patrick, St. Canice and St. Dominic, as well as those in the surrounding communities. Recognizing that parents are the primary educators of children, we collaborate with them to help our students achieve their fullest potentials in the areas of faith development, academic excellence, social awareness and emotional growth. Our school exists to inspire and motivate students to recognize their call to be responsible, faith-filled leaders in today's multi-cultural and diverse world.



Faith Formation

The domains of social, spiritual, physical and academic development are rooted in faith formation. Integrated throughout our school culture and curriculum are opportunities for students to deepen their relationships with Christ and relate Gospel teachings to their personal, everyday experiences. Each morning, school administrators and students assemble for prayer and daily announcements. We also worship together as a campus community at weekly Mass, every Friday. Students participate in every aspect of the celebration; as lectors, altar servers and choir members. In religion class, children learn about our Catholic heritage and culture, and prepare to receive the Sacraments of First Communion, the Rite of Reconciliation, and Confirmation. Inspired by faith to show compassion and empathy to others, Mt. St. Mary Academy supports charitable causes like Food for the Poor (sponsoring housing projects in Haiti) during Lent, the Baby Bottle Project and donates canned food and clothing to benefit our local communities. In addition, our middle school students are expected to contribute their time and talents to local communities through direct service. Children who perform God's corporal works of mercy strengthen their faith and learn to honor all members of His kingdom.



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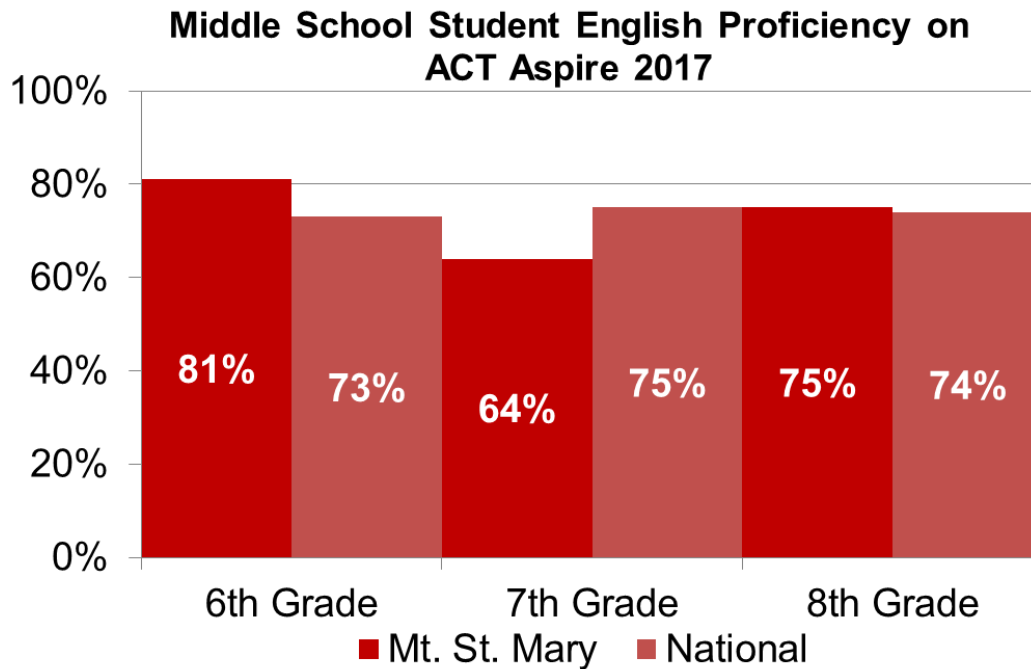
Academics and Enrichment

Mt. St. Mary Academy believes that we are all called to offer the best of ourselves to the Lord and to our communities. One of the many ways we can become the best possible versions of our selves is striving for knowledge about each other and about our world. Our comprehensive and well-rounded curriculum is designed to challenge young learners to think critically, examine issues from multiple vantage points, and approach obstacles with openness and creativity. This approach to education not only prepares children for the rigors of high school and career; it also cultivates their capacity to exercise wise and judicious leadership in our increasingly complex world. To instruct children in the image of God, teaching staff at Mt. St. Mary believe that time and attention must be paid to all domains of development—intellectual, physical, social and spiritual. Learning is an ongoing process that does not begin and end inside of a classroom. Play and exploration is essential to the happiness and positive academic performance of children. Mt. St. Mary supports all facets of childhood development, offering opportunities for enrichment through foreign language, visual art, athletics, choir, student council, robotics and gardening. Through these activities children form lifelong friendships, discover their passions, learn the value of collaboration, and experience character development in organic, dynamic interaction with their peers.



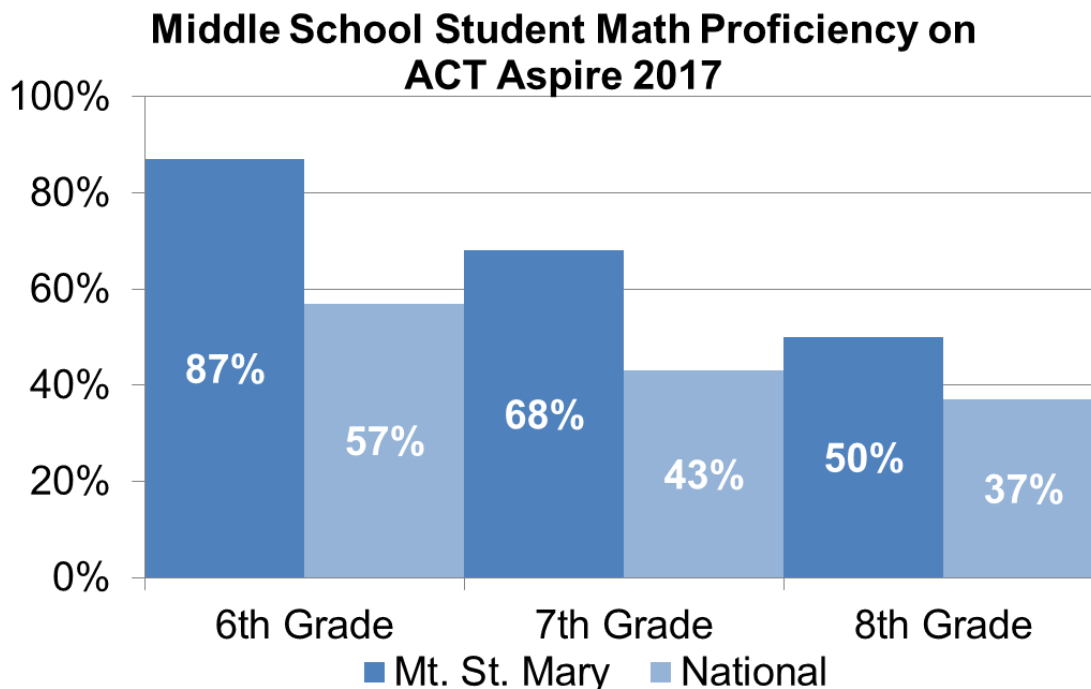
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Student Performance Review ⁽¹⁾



FOUNDATION FOR SUCCESS

Mt. St. Mary Academy's comprehensive curriculum equips students with the skills to remain academic achievers who learn with enthusiasm and welcome opportunities to apply their knowledge



(1) Based on 2016-2017 ACT ASPIRE data for Mt. St. Mary Academy of the Diocese of Sacramento. Obtained from <https://www.actaspire.org/>. ACT® Aspire® © 2012-2017. All rights reserved.



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Mt. St. Mary Academy Financials

<i>(Dollars in Thousands)</i>	2015-16 Actual	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Budget
Sources of Income:			
TK - 8 Tuition and Registration Fees, Net of Tuition Assistance and Uncollected Accounts	\$ 423.5	\$ 477.8	\$ 544.4
Preschool, Net	15.6	2.9	-
Extended Day, Net	9.9	0.3	7.7
Extracurricular Sports, Net	3.4	3.1	2.3
Donations and gifts	30.0	21.6	33.0
Food Services, Net	0.1	1.0	2.0
Parent Club and Fundraising, Net	115.7	140.8	176.1
Parish Support	25.3	35.0	35.0
Diocesan Support	18.8	13.3	10.0
Investment Earnings (Losses), Net	(4.4)	32.6	-
Other Income	-	0.6	-
Total	\$ 637.9	\$ 729.0	\$ 810.5
Cost to Educate:			
Instructional	\$ 500.6	\$ 551.4	\$ 569.0
Administrative	136.4	134.2	184.4
Facility Maintenance and Operations	48.9	47.1	58.4
Total	\$ 685.9	\$ 732.7	\$ 811.8
Other Expenses:			
Capital Expenditures	\$ 1.0	\$ 1.8	\$ 16.5
Net Gain (Loss)	\$ (49.0)	\$ (5.5)	\$ (17.8)

TK - 8 Enrollment	129	126	134
Cost to Educate per Student	\$ 5,317	\$ 5,815	\$ 6,058
Tuition for First Child (Parishioner Rate)	4,300	4,600	4,700
Estimated Deficit per Student	\$ (1,017)	\$ (1,215)	\$ (1,358)
Minimum Fundraising Needs (Dollars in Thousands)	\$ 131.2	\$ 153.1	\$ 182.0

Financial information for the 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years is presented above. Note the significant difference between the *Cost to Educate per Student* and the *First Child Parishioner Tuition Rate*. **The disparity between these figures is striking for the 2017-18 school year where the deficit is estimated to be \$1,358 per student.**

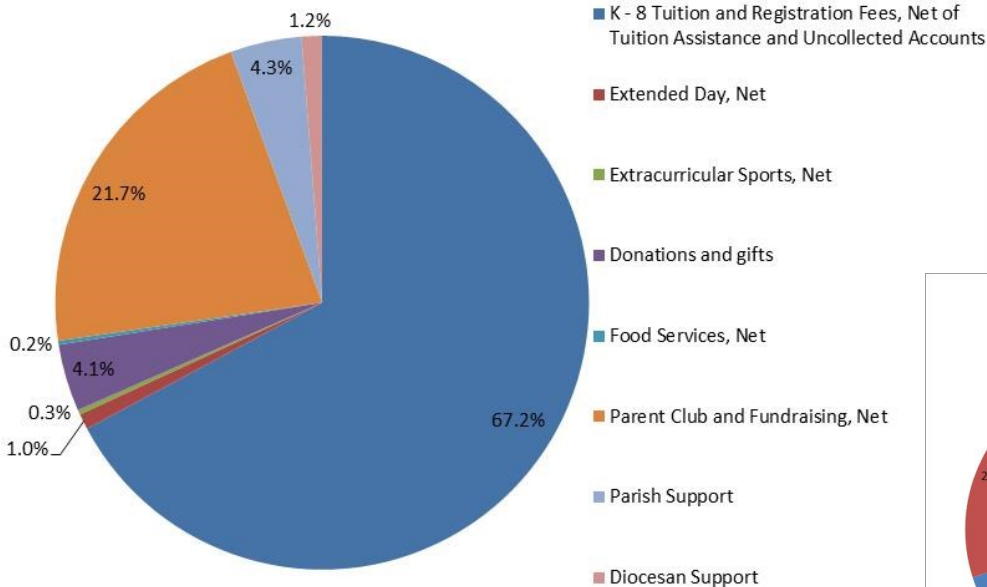
When comparing the *Estimated Deficit per Student* to *K-8 Enrollment* for each period, the data depicts a high correlation between student enrollment, estimated deficit values per student and fundraising needs. These correlational relationships illustrate that **strong enrollment numbers are necessary to mitigate the gaps between student tuition and education costs.**



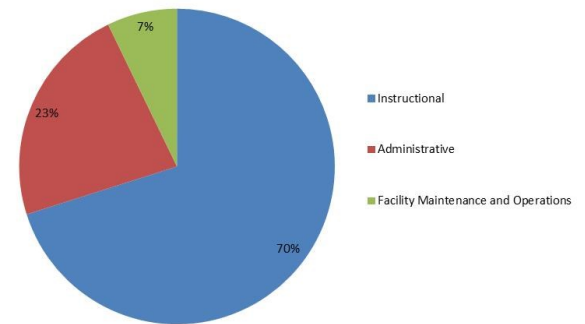
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Fundraising at Mt. St. Mary Academy

Sources of Income 2017-18 Budget
Total \$810.5 Thousand



\$6,166 Cost to Educate Student vs. Parishioner Tuition Rate of \$4,700⁽¹⁾



Community Involvement and Fundraising

Because Mt. St. Mary Academy tuition is less than the cost to educate, we count on your continued fundraising support to provide the best learning experience for our children. Our most popular school events are the Crab Feed and our Annual Auction and Gala. We look forward to these occasions every year, as they are wonderful opportunities for the community to fundraise while celebrating fellowship and supporting the mission of Mt. St. Mary to educate minds and inspire spirits. Proceeds from these, and all other fundraising opportunities, help pay for expenses that tuition does not cover.

It is also expected that families will be involved on a voluntary basis to provide services that benefit the school. Family participation in our Scrip and volunteer programs is invaluable because it helps us lower operating costs and enhance the educational experience for our children. Mt. St. Mary extends families the option of need-based financial aid. On average, our families receive approximately \$77,000 in tuition assistance each year. We appreciate and honor the sacrifices of all families who believe in the value of a Catholic School education, and trust us as their partner in education. Your ongoing support demonstrates a strong sense of community; and that is what separates Mt. St. Mary Academy from other educational environments.



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Closing Remarks

We, the Mt. St. Mary Academy School Community, are committed to providing our students with solid academic and spiritual foundations as expressed through the teachings, traditions and practices of the Roman Catholic Faith. We acknowledge parents as the primary educators of their children and strive to assist them in motivating their children in the pursuit of educational success. As a faith community, we emphasize the dignity of each student as a child of God, called to love and serve the human community. We are dedicated to nurturing academic excellence, opportunities for success, and Gospel values in an environment that fosters self worth.

A safe and caring environment, Mt. St. Mary is a place where students are encouraged to pursue the path of salvation by becoming their best selves. We are grateful for the love and generous support shown to us by our Parish and school families. It is your time and faithful involvement that keeps the mission of Catholic parochial education alive and strong. For the opportunity to inspire and enlighten God's children, we are truly blessed.

