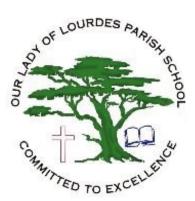
Mission

Our Lady of Lourdes school is an educational ministry of the Catholic Community in Colusa County. The school promotes a safe and caring environment emphasizing Catholic Christian principles. Our Lady of Lourdes staff is dedicated to providing all students the opportunity to grow spiritually, academically, socially and physically to reach their highest potential. Our Lady of Lourdes School recognizes the parent as the primary educator and the teacher as the facilitator. Together we work to form a Catholic Christian Community dedicated to instill in our children personal responsibility, independent decision-making skills, and the knowledge to know, love, and serve God. By nurturing dignity, confidence, and compassion, students will be able to recognize each individual's uniqueness. We believe this will develop social responsibility and the ability to live by Catholic values, while stimulating positive growth in a student centered learning environment.



Faith Formation

The holistic development of children is rooted in religious formation. This process starts early in a child's life under the guidance of parents, and is nurtured by our school. Worship is an essential aspect of spiritual fulfillment and is at the core of our Catholic identity at Our Lady of Lourdes. Throughout the school year, we actively encourage students to deepen their relationships with God through religious education, prayer, and reflection. Every day, our students and staff assemble to pray, read scripture, and hear special announcements. Children plan and participate in weekly school-wide mass as lectors, altar servers, gift bearers, choral singers, and as a community of witnesses to God's love for us. It is expected that our children contribute their time and talents to the community through Christian service. When they perform God's corporal works of mercy, students strengthen their spirituality and have the opportunity to extend hope and mercy to every member of God's Kingdom.





Academics and Enrichment

The tradition of excellence in academics at Our Lady of Lourdes is supported by a comprehensive curriculum. Aligned with Diocesan and state standards, our challenging and intellectually stimulating academics encourage children to apply their critical thinking skills creatively in order to uncover new possibilities. This educational approach prepares students to join conversations on the complex issues that shape our ever-changing world. As primary educators, parents are challenged with providing strong examples of faith values that foster spiritual development. At Our Lady of Lourdes, we as formal educators, support their spiritual identities within a liturgically rich environment. We believe that in order to educate a child in the image of God, attention must be paid to all domains of development - the mind, body and spirit. Education does not begin and end inside the classroom.

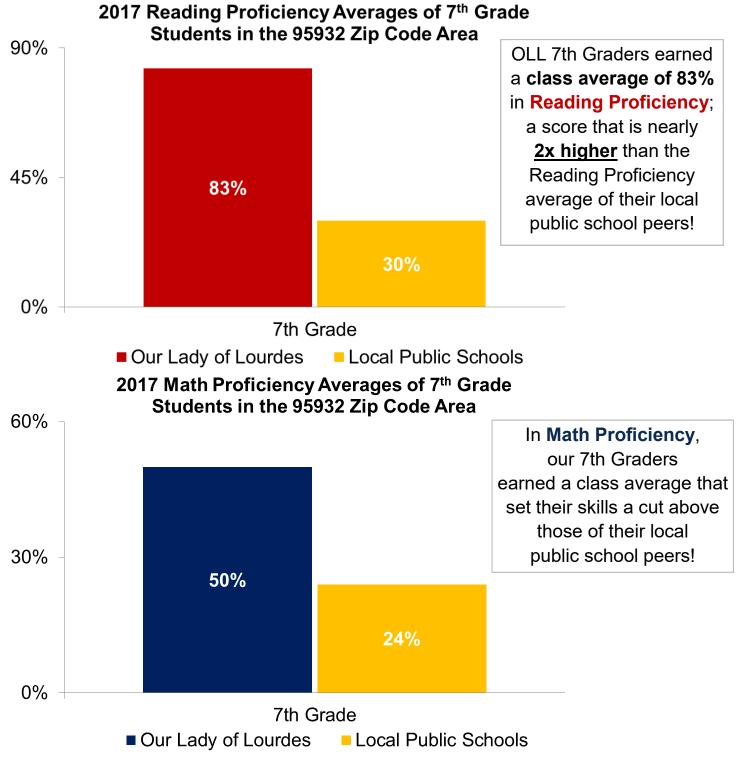
In addition to academic knowledge, students require social and emotional fulfillment in order to achieve their full potentials. Inspired by this philosophy, Our Lady of Lourdes honors holistic child development by offering a wide selection of enrichment activities in student government, yearbook, Academic Decathlon, the annual Science Fair, volleyball, basketball, and football. By participating in these activities, children have fun and create memories with friends, learn the importance of collaboration, and interact with their peers in social situations that drive character development.



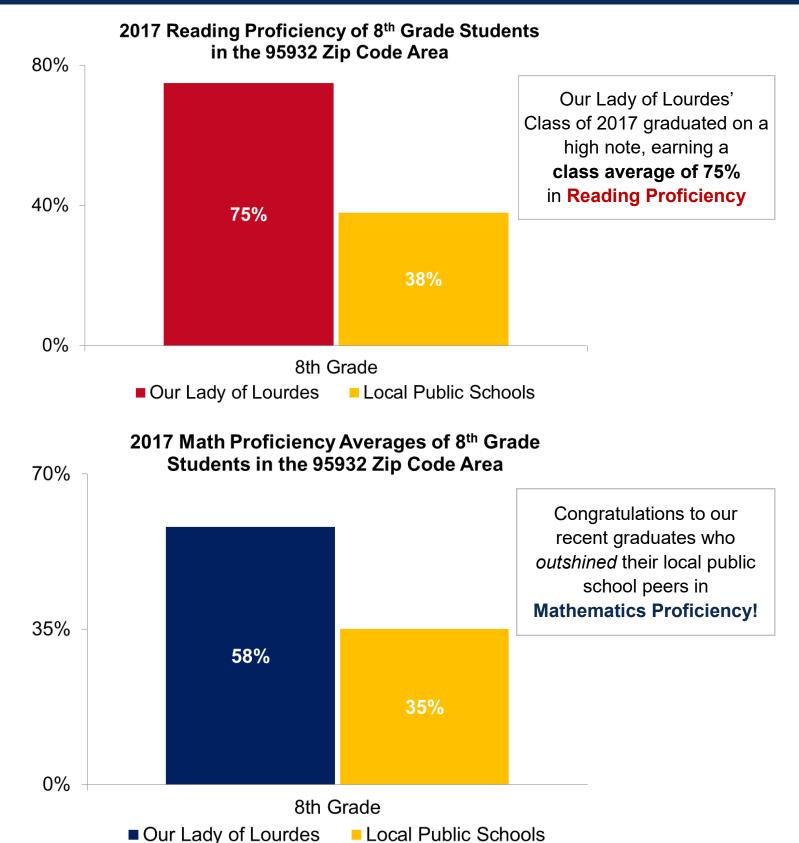


$\overline{Student\ Performance\ Review}^{(1)\ (2)}$

*The following graphs compare the student test scores of Our Lady of Lourdes (OLL) to those of its neighboring public schools. OLL students are given STAR Math and STAR Reading Assessments from Renaissance Learning, whereas California public school students are required to take the Smarter Balanced exam under the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) system. The comparison of these separate tests is made possible by the application of psychometric equivalencies, which standardize the criteria used to evaluate and score these different academic assessments. The tables below display grade-level learning data based on both Renaissance STAR and CAASPP student testing results.







⁽¹⁾ Based on 2016-2017 Our Lady of Lourdes School STAR Reading and STAR Math testing data obtained from © 2017 Renaissance Learning, Inc. All rights reserved.

⁽²⁾ Based on 2016 CAASPP Smarter Balanced test results of select public schools in both the Colusa Unified School District and the Williams Unified School District. Testing results are publicly available online via the California Department of Education: http://caaspp.cde.ca.gov/.



Our Lady of Lourdes Financials

(Dollars in Thousands)	2017-18 Budget	
Sources of Income:		
K - 8 Tuition and Registration Fees, Net of Tuition		
Assistance and Uncollected Accounts	\$	248.0
Preschool, Net		4.4
Extended Day, Net		5.0
Summer School, Net		
Extracurricular Sports, Net		1.3
Donations and Gifts		16.2
Food Services, Net		-
Parent Club and Fundraising, Net		135.3
Parish Support		8.0
Diocesan Support		108.0
Investment Earnings (Losses), Net		1.5
Other Income		
Total	\$	527.7
Cost to Educate:		
Instructional	\$	321.5
Administrative		134.2
Facility Maintenance and Operations		69.5
Other Expense		
Total	\$	525.2
Other Expenses:		
Capital Expenditures	\$	2.5
Net Gain (Loss)	\$	-

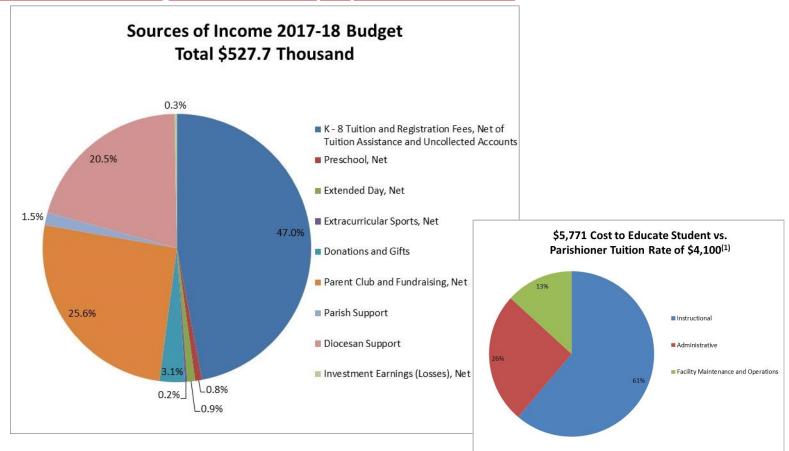
K - 8 Enrollment	91
Cost to Educate per Student	\$ 5,771
Tuition for First Child (Parishioner Rate)	 4,100
Estimated Deficit per Student	\$ (1,671)
Minimum Fundraising Needs (Dollars in Thousands)	\$ 152.1

Financial information for the 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 where the deficit is estimated to be \$1,671 per student.

When comparing the *Estimated Deficit per Student* to *Preschool-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.**



Fundraising at Our Lady of Lourdes



Community Involvement and Fundraising

Because Our Lady of Lourdes tuition is less than the cost to educate, we count on your continued fundraising support to provide the best learning experience for our children. The most popular family events at OLL are the annual Pheasant Festival and our Crab Feed. We look forward to these occasions every year, as they are wonderful opportunities for the community to fundraise while celebrating fellowship and supporting our mission 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 community events and service hours is invaluable in helping us lower our operating costs and improve the quality of education for our children. OLL extends families the option of need-based financial aid. In the 2017-2018 academic year, our families received approximately \$131,500.00 in tuition assistance. We appreciate and honor the sacrifices of all families who believe in the value of Catholic education and trust us as their partner in education. Your ongoing support demonstrates a strong sense of community; and that is what separates Our Lady of Lourdes from other educational environments.



Closing Remarks

At Our Lady of Lourdes, we seek to educate the whole child in a Catholic setting by providing a contemporary, well-rounded education that integrates stellar academics and moral values. Our students learn in a nurturing environment where they can further enhance not only their knowledge, but also their sense of self- worth. The care and attention our teaching staff gives to students helps them develop confidence in themselves and in their ability to excel in their studies. As primary educators of their children, parents are challenged to establish a solid foundation of Gospel values and Christian traditions. We share this responsibility, as formal educators, by shepherding students in the discovery and appreciation of the part they play in God's plan. Developing students into loving and productive members of society brings us great joy. We are proud to serve your children, honoring God's call to enlighten minds and inspire hearts. Our Lady of Lourdes is grateful for your continued involvement in school and community events. The love and the ongoing support shown to us by our school families helps keep the mission of Catholic education alive and strong. For the opportunity to educate and inspire the Children of God, we are truly blessed.



