#### Mission

Established in 1934, Sacred Heart Parish School has been a fixture in the East Sacramento area for decades. A ministry of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, we are committed to serving parish families, as well as those who live in the surrounding Sacramento neighborhoods, by providing children with a quality Catholic elementary education (TK-8) that is based on the Gospel values of Jesus, and is dedicated to the development of the whole child. In our care students will grow in mind, body and soul. Sacred Heart staff recognize each and every student as a child of God with unique talents and gifts. It is our mission to give all children the chance to fulfill their academic and social potential while learning about and experiencing the richness of a life with God at its center. Sacred Heart is a safe and supportive environment where each child is encouraged to become his or her best self for the greater glory of God.

#### Faith Formation

The Catholic faith and its traditions are at the core of a Sacred Heart education, and as such, they are integrated throughout our curriculum. Students learn to imitate Christ by incorporating the Gospel values of faith, hope and charity in their everyday lives - in the classroom, on the playground and at home. Students are encouraged to discover God's presence in their lives and to deepen their faith. Daily religion classes teach students about biblical history, the precepts of the Church, and about how the Lord Jesus continues to reveal Himself in our daily experiences. As it is an integral expression of our Catholic Identity, each morning at Sacred Heart starts with prayer. The Sacraments are significant spiritual milestones that students get to experience alongside their classmates. During the school year, students in 2nd grade prepare for and receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, while 7th grade students prepare for and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. On a monthly basis, staff and students of Sacred Heart School gather for Mass and worship as a community of faith. Students and instructors work together to plan liturgies and prayer services. As part of the liturgy preparation, each grade also reads and reflects on the Gospel message in a manner that is appropriate for their level. Parents and family members are always welcomed and encouraged to attend our weekly assembly and school liturgies.





#### Academics and Enrichment

Sacred Heart Parish School is an academic community, rooted in Gospel values, where children can seek truths about the world, form their personal identities, grow intellectually and come to know God all in one place. We believe that parents are the primary educators of their children and we support them in this role by creating a co-educational Catholic environment that blends learning and believing in the context of community. Our core subjects include religion, reading and literature, math, language arts, science, history, and physical education. The curriculum at Sacred Heart is not only comprehensive, but it is also held to rigorous Diocesan standards. That means every subject area meets or exceeds the expectations required of all California schools. As a result, students leave Sacred Heart fully prepared for the rigors of high school.

We believe that teachers are facilitators of learning and that every student is gifted. Our teachers help students develop their individual gifts through an excellent, standards-based curriculum that is both learner-centered and developmentally appropriate. We recognize that every child is unique and ensure that our students receive the instruction they need. Through a variety of homework, in-class assignments and hands-on activities, our children learn to think critically and to apply their knowledge creatively in order to rise up to the complexities of an ever-evolving world. Above all, our instruction helps students cultivate a servant-leader attitude that empowers them to answer the call to Christ-like discipleship, and to recognize the meaningful impact of civic engagement within in their communities.

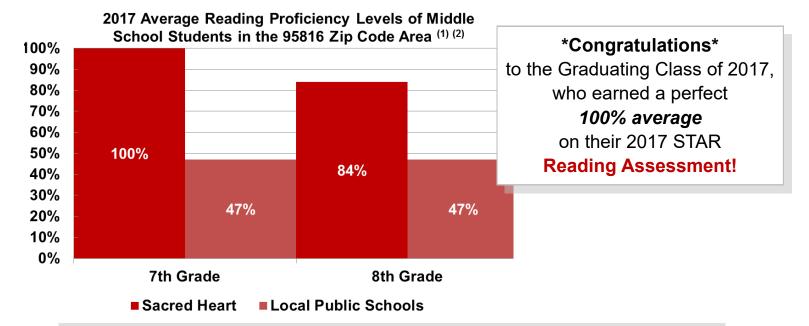
Children are happiest and perform best when they have the freedom to explore their interests and deepen their passions. Sacred Heart offers students a variety of opportunities for extracurricular involvement in volleyball, basketball, track, art, golf and choir, the Geography Bee and the Science Olympiad. The Diocese of Sacramento also affords Sacred Heart students with additional enrichment opportunities in the Diocesan Speech Contest, Academic Decathlon, Religion Contest and Mental Math Bowl. Participation in these and other enrichment activities allows children to create memories and establish community with friends, practice patience in collaborative environments, and gain exposure to social environments that foster moral character development.





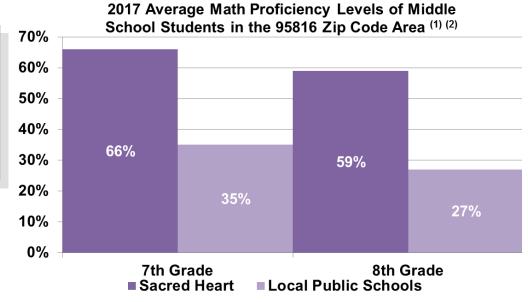
#### Student Performance Review $^{(1)}(2)$

\*The graphs below display the student test scores of Sacred Heart Parish School relative to those of its neighboring public schools. Sacred Heart 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 data and CAASPP data.



The comprehensive and competitive curriculum at Sacred Heart prepares students for the rigors of high school, college and career. It is our mission to equip students with the skills to *achieve* academically, giving them the confidence to *succeed* personally and professionally.

Our outstanding middle school students at Sacred Heart achieved Math Proficiency averages that surpass those of their peers in local public schools!



- (1) Based on 2016-2017 Sacred Heart Parish 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 Sacramento Unified School District. Testing results are publicly available online via the California Department of Education: http://caaspp.cde.ca.gov/.



## Sacred Heart School Financials

(Dollars in Thousands)		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	\$	1,587.6	\$	1,649.1	\$	1,748.1	
Extended Day, Net		35.4		55.4		34.8	
Extracurricular Sports, Net		1.9		8.8		5.2	
Donations and gifts		83.7		64.4		62.5	
Food Services, Net	0.2		(0.6)			0.2	
Parent Club and Fundraising, Net		197.5		220.4		171.0	
Parish Support		27.2		28.0		28.3	
Investment Earnings (Losses), Net		13.8		14.9		-	
Other Income		2.9		3.0		2.8	
Total	\$	1,950.2	\$	2,043.4	\$	2,052.9	
Cost to Educate:							
Instructional	\$	1,310.8	\$	1,242.7	\$	1,361.9	
Administrative		323.8		335.0		355.9	
Facility Maintenance and Operations		306.5		301.8		321.4	
Total	\$	1,941.1	\$	1,879.5	\$	2,039.2	
Other Expenses:							
Capital Expenditures	\$	9.8	\$	10.0	\$	8.0	
Net Gain (Loss)	\$	(0.7)	\$	153.9	\$	5.7	
TK - 8 Enrollment		313		301		312	
Cost to Educate per Student	\$	6,202	\$	6,244	\$	6,536	
Tuition for First Child (Parishioner Rate)		4,938		5,200		5,300	
Estimated Deficit per Student	\$	(1,264)	\$	(1,044)	\$	(1,236)	
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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*. <u>The disparity</u> between these figures is striking for the 2017-18 school year where the deficit is estimated to be \$1,236 per student.

395.5 \$

Minimum Fundraising Needs (Dollars in Thousands)

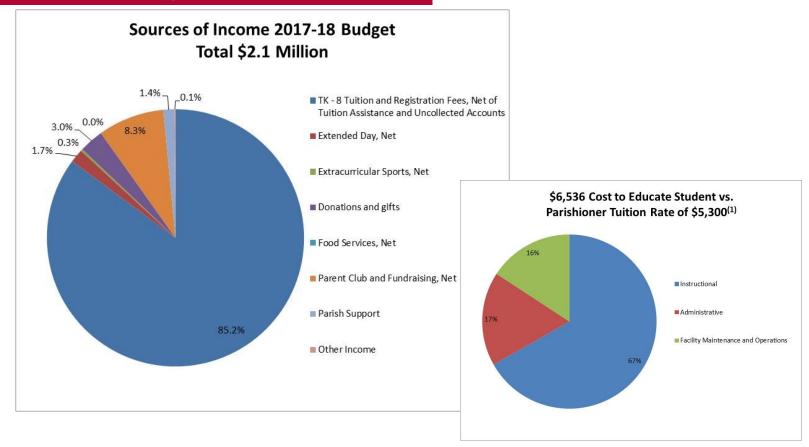
When comparing the *Estimated Deficit per Student* to *K-8 Enrollment* for each period, the data depicts a high correlation between student enrollment, estimated deficit values per student and fundraising needs. These correlational relationships illustrate that strong enrollment numbers are necessary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



385.6

314.3 \$

#### Fundraising at Sacred Heart



#### Community Involvement and Fundraising

Because tuition at Sacred Heart Parish School is less than the cost to educate, we count on your continued fundraising support to provide the best learning experience for our children. Each year we look forward to our Annual Holiday Home Tour, Fall Festival, and Crab Feed. These events are wonderful occasions for the community to fundraise while celebrating fellowship, and supporting Sacred Heart's 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 our Scrip and service hour programs is invaluable in helping us lower our operating costs and improve the quality of education for our children. We extend families the option of need-based financial aid. On average, our families receive approximately \$50,000 in tuition assistance each year. Sacred Heart appreciates and honors 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 Sacred Heart from other educational environments.



### Closing Remarks

Recognized as unique individuals, children at Sacred Heart Parish School are challenged to develop their gifts and talents and gifts according to their capacity, so that they might fulfill their duty to live in the grace of God and to strive for holiness. They are taught to use their gifts for the honor and glory of God, for their own spiritual and temporal good, and for the good of their neighbors.

The mission of Sacred Heart is to provide students with the opportunities for academic excellence and the necessary foundation to become successful members of our society. We recognize that God is our Creator, and actively seek union with Him, respect for His Church and fulfillment of His gospel message. We believe in and respect the uniqueness of each individual and strive to guide our students to recognize their selfworth. Recognizing the complexity of our society, we assume responsibility for educating our students in all disciplines.

We believe that we are called to embrace the fourfold dimensions of Catholic education: Message, Community, Worship and Service. Thus we instill a solid foundation of Christian values and life skills upon which students successfully grow into contributing members of their families, church, civic and global societies. A high quality educational experience is a Sacred Heart tradition.

We are grateful for the active involvement of school parents and community members. The continued love and support shown to us by the Sacred Heart community helps keep the mission of Catholic parochial education alive and strong. Thank you for your contributions to our school, and for your faith in us as the co-educator of your children. For the opportunity to educate and inspire the Children of God, we are truly blessed.

