Mission

An educational ministry of St. Dominic Parish, St. Dominic School is a center for learning where academics meet faith. We proudly serve parishioners of St. Dominic Catholic Church, as well as those families who live in the greater Benicia area. The mission of St. Dominic School is to provide the highest standards of excellence in academic, spiritual, and moral education where the Catholic faith is celebrated and lived, empowering each student to become an informed, caring, and contributing member of society and a disciple of the Gospel. Students are provided a comprehensive Catholic education that challenges them to achieve their personal best. At St. Dominic School, students can engage in self-discovery, embrace their passions,



Faith Formation

cultivate their talents, and get to know God all in one place.

St. Dominic School is a community of faith built on the values, beliefs, and traditions of Catholic education. We are a "community where values are communicated through the interpersonal and sincere relationships of its members" who are witness to the Lord by imparting religious truths and values. We strive to create an atmosphere wherein Catholic education's fourfold purpose of gospel message, community, service, and worship may be nurtured and brought to fruition. Parents are the primary educators of their children's moral and religious development and are an integral part of the community life at St. Dominic School. Parents and children are expected to participate in the school and encouraged to participate in the parish's sacramental and social life. Each morning begins with prayer. The staff and student body pray and celebrate the Sacraments as a community of faith during monthly liturgies. Teachers incorporate Catholic values into the daily learning experience, using each teachable moment to facilitate intellectual growth and faith formation. We promote in our students a spirit of generosity that reaches out to all of those in need. Throughout the year, all students are expected to contribute their time and service to charitable causes within the local community. By performing God's corporal works of mercy, they gain a deeper understanding of the human community and a greater respect for every member of God's kingdom on Earth.



Academics and Enrichment

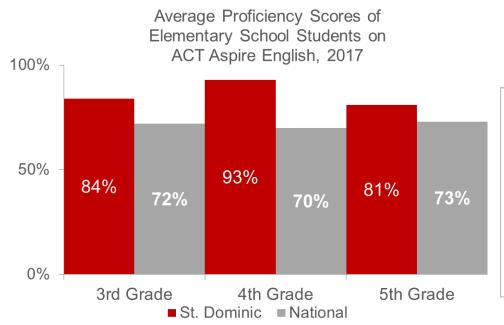
St. Dominic School is committed to providing a quality academic program that fosters critical thinking and competency in verbal and nonverbal skills in a Christ-centered environment. It is the school's goal to meet the individual needs of each student through a variety of learning experiences, and to facilitate the development of the student's knowledge and organizational skills in order to achieve an integrated and structured understanding of information. The curriculum at St. Dominic School is implemented according to standards set forth by the Diocese of Sacramento, which meet or exceed California State Standards. We maintain a tradition of academic excellence by offering a comprehensive and challenging curriculum that includes the traditional subjects of Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, as well as classes in Religion, Spanish, Physical Education, and Technology. Our educational approach engages children in a positive and interactive way, ensuring that they think critically, collaborate cooperatively, to seek long-term solutions, and to exercise creativity as a tool for innovative problem solving.

An education at St. Dominic School is unique because it focuses on the needs of the whole child as a valued and respected unique member of God's family. A truly effective and impactful education program focuses on more than just academic knowledge. Children are encouraged to develop and enhance their individual talents through a variety of academic and specialized programs offered at St. Dominic School. Students are happiest and perform at their highest potentials when they are given the freedom to play, create, and explore. We honor these necessities by offering a wide variety of enrichment opportunities in volleyball, basketball, football, cheerleading, California Junior Scholarship Federation, Student Council, choir and orchestra. Participation in these and other extracurricular activities allows students to have fun with friends, learn the importance and value of working with others, and conduct themselves in social environments that influence character development.



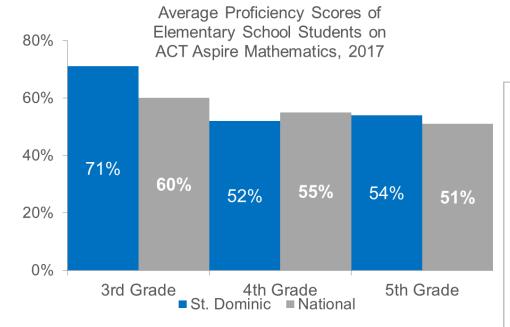


Student Performance Review (1)



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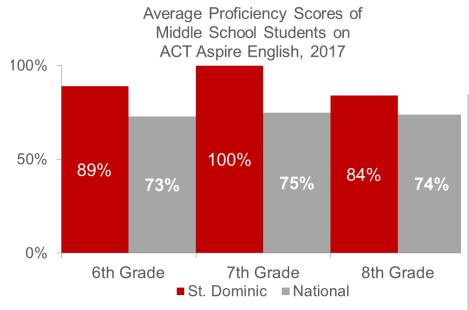
Students at St. Dominic are provided opportunities to develop effective study habits, a positive work ethic, and a thirst for knowledge; traits that lay the foundation for successful scholarship



CULTURE OF CARE

Recognizing that children have unique learning styles,
St. Dominic faculty exercise a differentiated instructional approach in which they communicate concepts using a variety of different images and explanations in order to enhance understanding and comprehension of subject matter





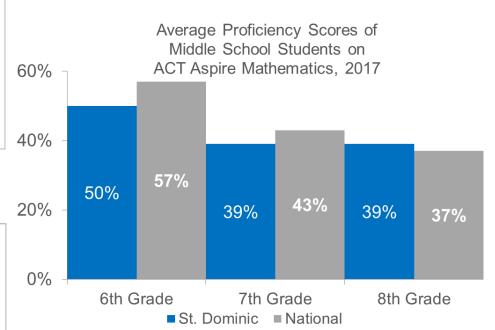
Student applicants from St. Dominic earned a **100% acceptance rate** to the following:

Saint Patrick-Saint Vincent High School, Vallejo; Justin-Siena High School, Napa; De La Salle High School, Concord;

and Carondelet High School, Concord

HIGH SCHOOL PREP

A well-rounded
St. Dominic education
equips students with the academic
aptitude, moral awareness, and
strength of character for the rigors
of high school, college and career



MEANINGFUL LEARNING

Our teachers create an educational experience that is relevant & meaningful, inspiring children to be active and enthusiastic participants in a competitive academic environment

Based on 2016-2017 ACT ASPIRE data for St. Dominic School of the Diocese of Sacramento. Obtained from https://www.actaspire.org/. ACT® Aspire® © 2012-2017. All rights reserved.



St. Dominic School Financials

(Dollars in Thousands)	2015-16 Actual		2016-17 Actual		2017-18 Budget	
Sources of Income:						
K - 8 Tuition and Registration Fees, Net of Tuition						
Assistance and Uncollected Accounts	\$	1,433.3	\$	1,468.5	\$	1,446.3
Preschool, Net		35.3		40.3		38.8
Extended Day, Net		27.1		21.4		15.5
Extracurricular Sports, Net		1.3		4.6		5.4
Donations and gifts		12.5		15.5		1.0
Parent Club and Fundraising, Net		58.7		82.2		85.1
Parish Support		24.0		18.7		12.0
Investment Earnings (Losses), Net		(2.5)		149.9		-
Other Income		0.4		0.8		-
Total	\$	1,590.1	\$	1,801.9	\$	1,604.1
Cost to Educate:						
Instructional	\$	986.7	\$	982.1	\$	1,108.5
Administrative	·	313.4	·	354.6	·	376.5
Facility Maintenance and Operations		117.1		94.9		112.7
Total	\$	1,417.2	\$	1,431.6	\$	1,597.7
Other Expenses:						
Capital Expenditures	\$	94.3	\$	122.0	\$	16.0
Net Gain (Loss)	\$	78.6	\$	248.3	\$	(9.6)
K - 8 Enrollment		295		284		278
		230		234		0
Cost to Educate per Student	\$	4,804	\$	5,041	\$	5,747
Tuition for First Child (Parishioner Rate)		4,790		4,990		5,115
Estimated Deficit per Student	\$	(14)	\$	(51)	\$	(632)
Minimum Fundraising Needs (Dollars in Thousands)	\$	4.1	\$	14.4	\$	175.7

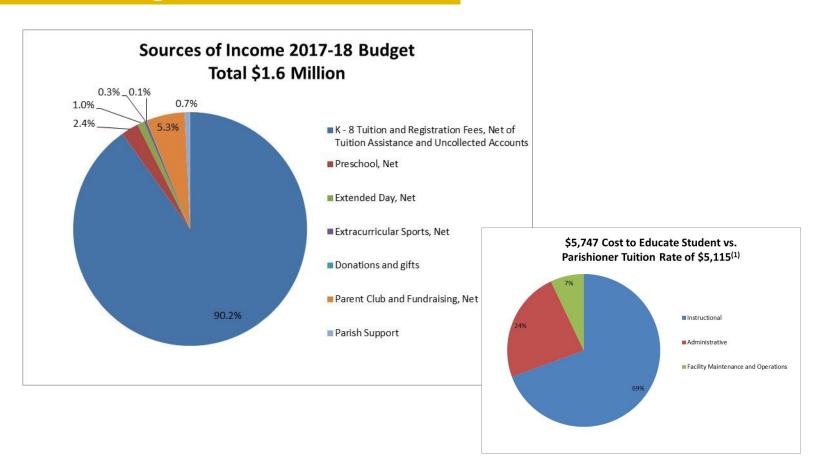
Financial information for the 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years is presented above. Note the significant difference between the *Cost to Educate per Student* and the *First Child Parishioner Tuition Rate*.

The disparity between these figures is striking for the 2017-18 school year where the deficit is estimated to be \$632 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.**



Fundraising at St. Dominic School



Community Involvement and Fundraising

Because St. Dominic School 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 event is our Fall Auction. We look forward to this every year, as it is a wonderful opportunity for the community to fundraise while celebrating fellowship and supporting the mission of St. Dominic to educate minds and inspire spirits. Proceeds from our fall auction, 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. St. Dominic extends families the option of need-based financial aid. On average, our families received approximately \$35,000 in tuition assistance each year. We appreciate and honor the sacrifices of all families who believe in the value of a Catholic School experience, and trust St. Dominic as their partner in education. Your ongoing support demonstrates a strong sense of community; and that is what separates St. Dominic from other educational environments.



Closing Remarks

We endeavor to foster and provide for the growth of the whole person based on Christian values. Each child is valued and respected as a unique individual and member of God's family. Aware of the diversity of God's gifts, children are encouraged to develop and enhance their unique talents. We continually strive to strengthen our relationships and interactions with parents and students by fostering a climate of genuine concern, trust, and caring.

As teachers and staff, we acknowledge that we have an obligation to model Christian values in every aspect of our lives. We provide opportunities for students to learn and practice tolerance and respect for others. We direct our efforts to provide them with the proper atmosphere and opportunity to become well-rounded individuals.

Our goal is for students to graduate from St. Dominic School with a sincere respect for themselves and others, a lifelong commitment to community, and the moral and academic foundations necessary to succeed in secondary education. We are grateful for the love and support you continue to show our St. Dominic community. Your active involvement in school and parish events helps keep St. Dominic School a sanctuary of faith and learning where we help students illuminate their paths to salvation by encouraging them to become their best selves.



