

St. Joseph School Report Card

Mission

Established in 1943, St. Joseph School is as an educational ministry of St. Joseph and St. Teresa Catholic Parishes of Auburn, California. Proudly serving families in Placer, Nevada and Sacramento Counties, our mission is to empower students with the belief that—through the example and teachings of Christ—we are all capable of transforming the world. Towards achieving this goal, St. Joseph offers a faith-based education, rich with opportunities to gain knowledge and strength of spirit. Our dedicated staff create a safe and nurturing environment where student growth is fostered by a well-rounded curriculum that promotes Gospel values, Catholic traditions, and academic excellence. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we strive to shepherd students towards the path of salvation by helping them become their best selves. Partnering with school families and the community, we establish a loving atmosphere where each student is invited to explore his or her uniqueness and discover the part they play in God’s plan for the world.



Faith Formation

Every day, we have the opportunity to exercise free will and live out the moral truths rooted in the Gospels. At St. Joseph School, we realize that the academic, physical, social and spiritual development of a child is rooted in faith formation. This process begins early in a child’s life under the supervision of parents, and is nurtured by the school. Worship is critical to spiritual fulfillment and is a key part of our Catholic identity as a school. St. Joseph offers a diocesan standards-based religious education program, and participation in liturgical celebrations at all grade levels. Each morning, all children and staff members gather together for morning prayer and special announcements. Students 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. Middle school students are also expected to contribute their time, talents, and service to the local community. Through Christian service, children perform corporal works of mercy while learning to appreciate every member of the God’s kingdom.



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Academics and Enrichment

The tradition of academic excellence at St. Joseph School is supported by a comprehensive curriculum, designed along Diocesan and state standards, that encourages children to explore their questions, think critically, and apply their knowledge creatively in order to discover new solutions. Our teaching approach stimulates intellectual curiosity, nurturing a love for learning. As educators, we believe it is important to remind children that they have the power to shape their futures through dedication, hard work, and self-mastery.

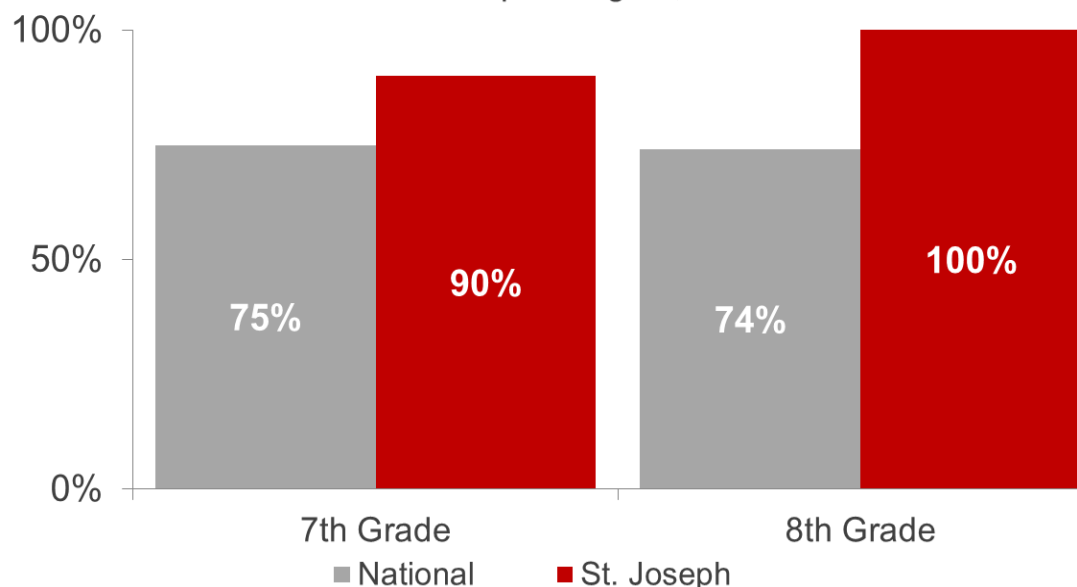
St. Joseph School strives to educate the whole child in mind, body and spirit because we understand that the learning process does not begin and end in the classroom. Instead, holistic development requires opportunities for interaction, education and play outside of a structured environment. Young learners are happiest and perform best when they are free to express their talents and engage their interests in social settings. For these reasons, St. Joseph encourages students to participate in its wide selection of enrichment opportunities: choir, Science Club, Drama Club, Academic Decathlon, Yearbook, Mental Math Bowl, and sports like basketball, volleyball, golf, track and field. By participating in enrichment activities students enjoy time with friends, learn the value of collaboration, and interact with their peers in social settings that promote character development.



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Student Performance Review ⁽¹⁾

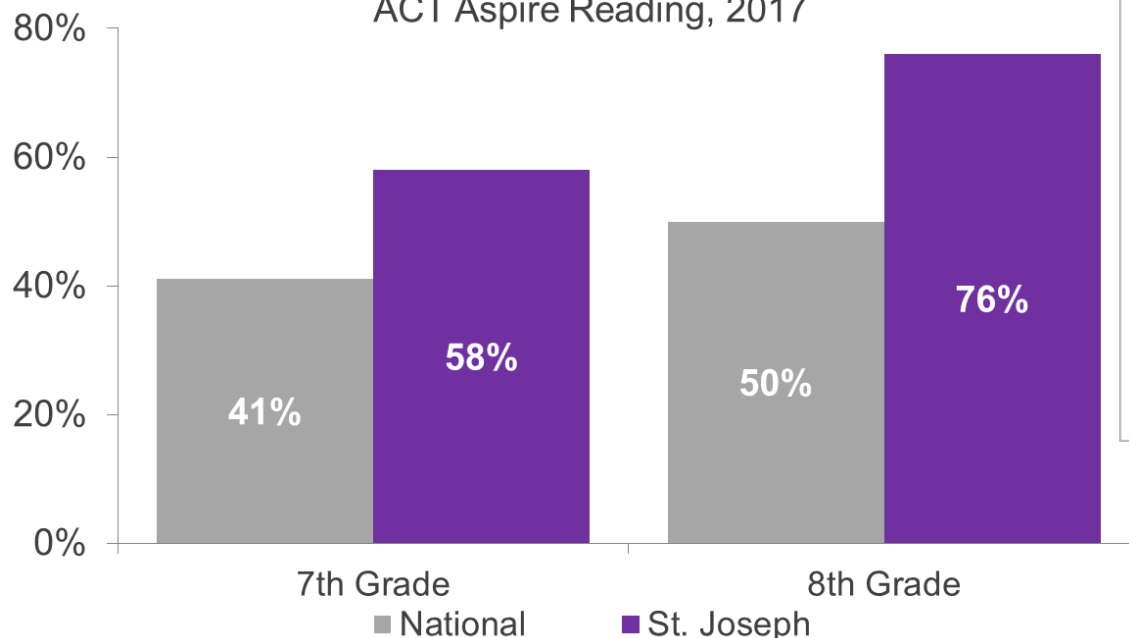
Average Proficiency of Middle School Students in
ACT Aspire English, 2017



CHILDREN FIRST

Instructors at St. Joseph teach to serve. Using a variety of images, anecdotes, and dynamic explanations, teachers capture student interest and enhance their comprehension skills, and ensure that no child gets left behind in the learning process.

Average Proficiency of Middle School Students in
ACT Aspire Reading, 2017



STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE

The comprehensive and well-rounded curriculum of St. Joseph School equips students with the academic knowledge to remain competitive with their grade-level peers on a national scale.

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



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St. Joseph School Financials

<i>(Dollars in Thousands)</i>			
	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	\$ 784.1	\$ 758.3	\$ 699.4
Preschool, Net	19.8	(3.2)	7.1
Extended Day, Net	10.2	23.4	24.6
Extracurricular Sports, Net	3.2	4.2	2.5
Donations and gifts	20.9	7.4	19.1
Food Services, Net	3.8	7.6	9.0
Parent Club and Fundraising, Net	161.1	182.2	171.5
Parish Support	20.5	28.0	28.0
Diocesan Support	15.0	-	-
Investment Earnings, Net	(5.7)	37.5	-
Total	\$ 1,032.9	\$ 1,045.4	\$ 961.2
Cost to Educate:			
Instructional	\$ 635.1	\$ 637.4	\$ 680.3
Administrative	211.5	222.4	225.1
Facility Maintenance and Operations	82.3	84.5	83.3
Total	\$ 928.9	\$ 944.3	\$ 988.7
Other Expenses:			
Capital Expenditures	\$ 18.8	\$ 5.5	\$ 2.5
Net Gain (Loss)	\$ 85.2	\$ 95.6	\$ (30.0)

K - 8 Enrollment	181	190	151
Cost to Educate per Student	\$ 5,132	\$ 4,970	\$ 6,548
Tuition for First Child (Parishioner Rate)	4,788	4,900	4,900
Estimated Deficit per Student	\$ (344)	\$ (70)	\$ (1,648)
Minimum Fundraising Needs (Dollars in Thousands)	\$ 62.3	\$ 13.3	\$ 248.8

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 \$1,648 per student.**

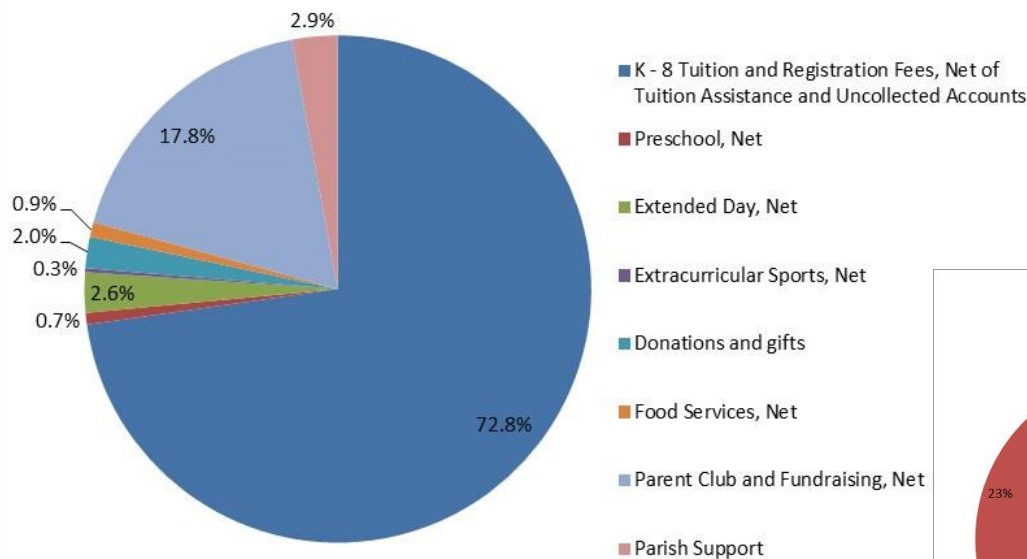
When comparing the **Estimated Deficit per Student** to **K-8 Enrollment** for each period, the data depicts a high correlation between student enrollment, estimated deficit values per student and fundraising needs. These correlational relationships illustrate that **strong enrollment numbers are necessary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



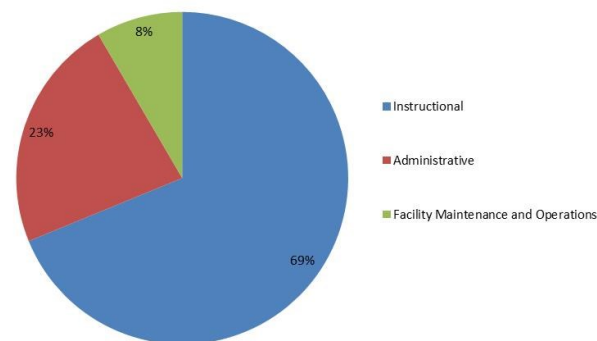
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Fundraising at St. Joseph School

Sources of Income 2017-18 Budget
Total \$961.2 Thousand



\$6,548 Cost to Educate Student vs. Parishioner Tuition Rate of \$4,900⁽¹⁾



Community Involvement and Fundraising

Because St. Joseph 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 events at St. Joseph School are the Denim and Diamonds Gala and the Annual 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 our Scrip and service hour programs is invaluable in helping us lower our operating costs and improve the quality of the education we provide our children. St. Joseph extends families the option of need-based financial aid. On average, our families receive approximately \$73,000 in tuition assistance each year. 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 St. Joseph School from other educational environments.



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Closing Remarks

St. Joseph School emphasizes academic achievement and character development in a highly supportive, family-centered community that values moral development, leadership skills, and service to others. Our students learn in a nurturing environment where they can further enhance not only their knowledge, but also their sense of self-worth. We encourage students to reach for their highest potentials because that truly is the greatest gift we can give ourselves, the world, and God.

Our goal is for the students who pass through our doors to be prepared for future success and further education as they enter high school. St. Joseph School is grateful for the active involvement of school parents and community members. Your love and the ongoing support helps keep the mission of Catholic parochial education alive and strong. Thank you for your contributions to St. Joseph, and for your faith in us as the co-educator of your children. For the opportunity to teach and inspire the Children of God, we are truly blessed.

