

# Holy Spirit School Report Card

## Mission

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## Faith Formation

Spiritual, academic, and emotional development all rest upon faith formation. This process starts early in a child's life under the guidance of parents, and is nurtured by our school. Christian ethics and values are woven into the fabric of our school culture. Students are encouraged to model the behavior of Jesus Christ in word, thought, and deed. Worship is an essential aspect of spiritual fulfillment and is a core aspect of our Catholic identity at Holy Spirit. Throughout the school year, we actively encourage students to deepen their relationships with God through religious education, prayer, and reflection. Holy Spirit students and staff assemble for community prayer and special announcements each morning. Our 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 offer love and mercy to every member of God's Kingdom.



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## *Academics and Enrichment*

The track record of academic excellence at Holy Spirit School is supported by a competitive and well-rounded curriculum that encourages children to think critically, to welcome new possibilities, and to apply their knowledge creatively, from process– and solutions– oriented perspectives, in order to make strides in a complex and ever-changing world. Our academic programs meet Diocesan standards and routinely exceed state standards, giving children a leg up in their preparation for secondary education. Holy Spirit students participate in a collaborative, research-based learning atmosphere.

Our faculty is committed to maintaining the highest quality educational standards, and ensuring that our teaching methods are current and relevant. For this reason, faculty and staff continually participate in professional development opportunities throughout the year. Often sharing and exchanging ideas with fellow teachers within the private school arena, we keep ourselves informed on how we can best support our children while fostering a school environment where parents are welcome to express their expectations of our curriculum and culture.

First and foremost, it is the mission of Holy Spirit to form the whole child in mind, body and spirit. We believe that the learning process does not begin and end inside of a classroom. In fact, children experience the most growth when they are free to interact in social settings that are not strictly regimented. Holy Spirit provides children with opportunities for enrichment through band, art, theatre, choir, and athletics like flag football, volleyball, basketball, and cheerleading. Participation in enrichment activities allows children to have fun with friends, to work collaboratively, and to develop their identities through character development.

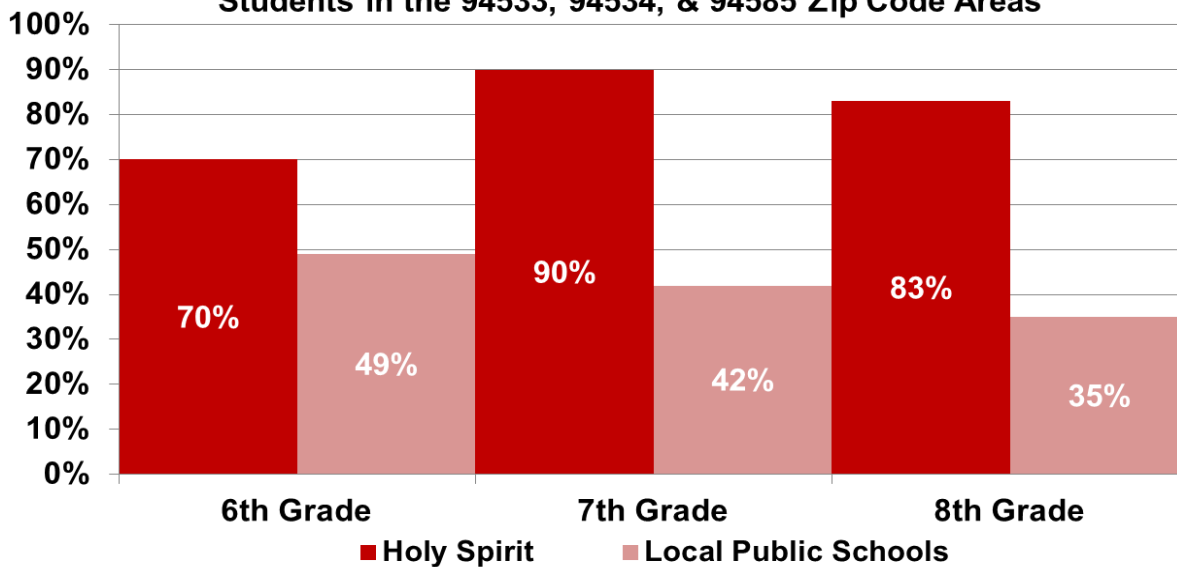


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## Student Performance Review (1) (2)

\*The following graphs compare the student test scores of Holy Spirit to those of its neighboring public schools. Holy Spirit 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.

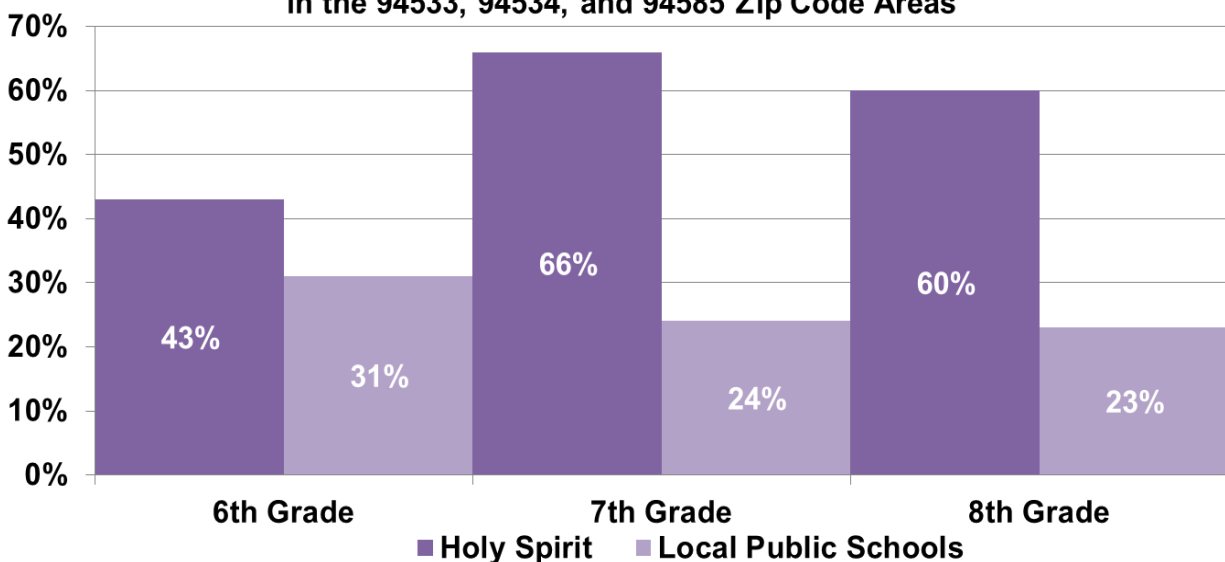
**2017 Average Reading Proficiency Scores of Middle School Students in the 94533, 94534, & 94585 Zip Code Areas**



### WELL-ROUNDED EDUCATION

The curriculum at Holy Spirit equips middle school students with the academic knowledge, social awareness, and strength of character to succeed in high school, college, and career

**2017 Average Math Proficiency Scores for Middle School Students in the 94533, 94534, and 94585 Zip Code Areas**



(1) Based on 2016-2017 Holy Spirit School (Fairfield) 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 Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District. Testing results are publicly available online via the California Department of Education: <http://caaspp.cde.ca.gov/>.



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## Holy Spirit School Financials

<i>(Dollars in Thousands)</i>	2015-16 Actual	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Budget
<b>Sources of Income:</b>			
K - 8 Tuition and Registration Fees, Net of Tuition Assistance and Uncollected Accounts	\$ 1,428.7	\$ 1,461.9	\$ 1,502.2
Extended Day, Net	68.2	55.8	51.0
Extracurricular Sports, Net	5.0	4.7	0.3
Donations and Gifts	34.6	26.5	24.0
Food Services, Net	(25.9)	(25.3)	(17.1)
Parent Club and Fundraising, Net	162.6	153.6	165.6
Investment Earnings (Losses), Net	18.1	13.2	10.0
Other Income	5.5	2.6	2.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,696.8</b>	<b>\$ 1,693.0</b>	<b>\$ 1,738.9</b>
<b>Cost to Educate:</b>			
Instructional	\$ 1,130.4	\$ 1,171.3	\$ 1,171.3
Administrative	364.3	383.0	371.6
Facility Maintenance and Operations	136.5	142.5	144.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,631.2</b>	<b>\$ 1,696.8</b>	<b>\$ 1,687.4</b>
<b>Other Expenses:</b>			
Capital Expenditures	\$ 184.8	\$ 288.7	\$ 34.0
<b>Net Gain (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ (119.2)</b>	<b>\$ (292.5)</b>	<b>\$ 17.5</b>

<b>K - 8 Enrollment</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>324</b>
<b>Cost to Educate per Student</b>	<b>\$ 5,004</b>	<b>\$ 4,961</b>	<b>\$ 5,208</b>
<b>Tuition for First Child (Parishioner Rate)</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>4,700</b>
<b>Estimated Deficit per Student</b>	<b>\$ (504)</b>	<b>\$ (361)</b>	<b>\$ (508)</b>
<b>Minimum Fundraising Needs (Dollars in Thousands)</b>	<b>\$ 164.2</b>	<b>\$ 123.6</b>	<b>\$ 164.6</b>

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 \$508 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.**

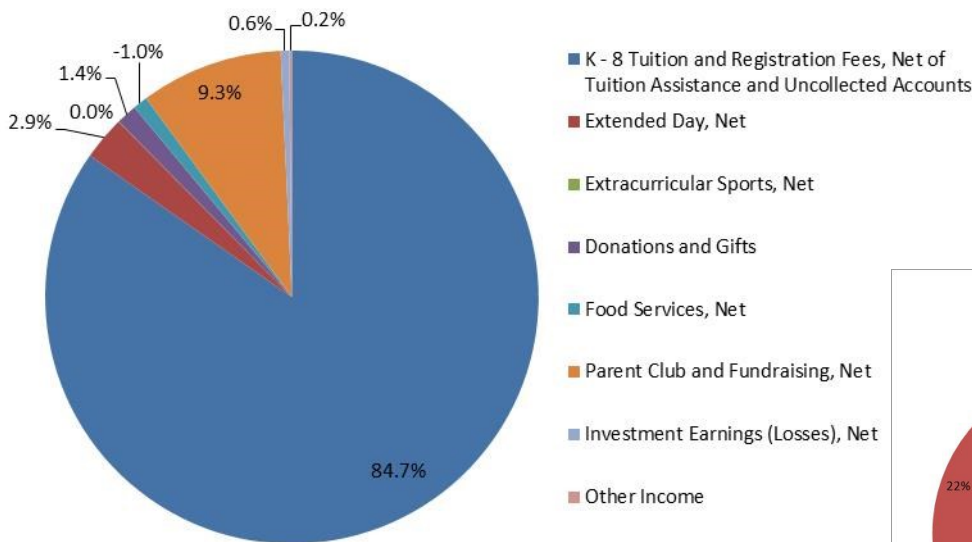




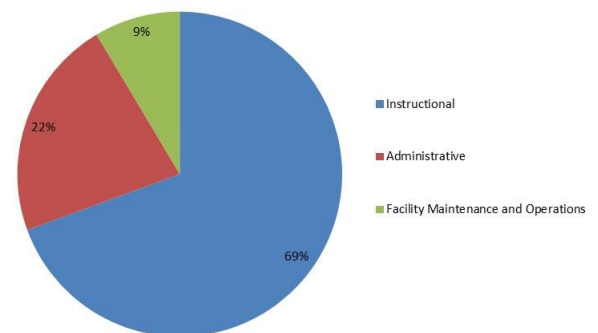
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## Fundraising at Holy Spirit School

**Sources of Income 2017-18 Budget**  
**Total \$1.7 Million**



**\$5,208 Cost to Educate Student vs. Parishioner Tuition Rate of \$4,700<sup>(1)</sup>**



## Community Involvement and Fundraising

Because Holy Spirit 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 are the Annual Auction Gala 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 the mission of Holy Spirit 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. Holy Spirit extends families the option of need-based financial aid. On average, our families receive approximately \$30,000 in tuition assistance each year. Holy Spirit School appreciates and honors the sacrifices of all families who believe in the value of a Catholic School education, and trust us as their partner in the learning process.



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## *Closing Remarks*

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