

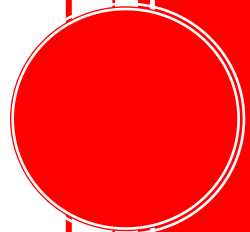
# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL



*Growing Together in Faith and Academics*

**2016-2017**

**ANNUAL REPORT**



## **PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT**

The 2016-2017 annual report is submitted to all St. Joseph Catholic School families and stakeholders in accordance with Rule 14 of the Nebraska Department of Education. The report will include student performance, school demographics, and financial information.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

As followers of Christ at St. Joseph Catholic School, we will encourage, strengthen, share the faith, and facilitate life-long learning for all of God's children.

## **EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY**

St. Joseph Parish established a Catholic School in 1888 in order to fulfill, in part, the mandate of Christ to teach the Gospel to the whole world. St. Joseph Catholic School helps to form students in Christ by means of teaching doctrine, celebrating Liturgy and prayer, building community in Christ, and fostering Christ-like service, in order to assist parents in their duty as primary educators of their children.

## CERTIFIED STAFF

STAFF MEMBER	EDUCATION LEVEL	YEARS OF EXPERIENCE	POSITION
Father Robert Barnhill	S.T.L.	31	Pastor
Andrew Haake	M.A.	5	Principal
Denise Behrends	B.A.	9	Preschool
Trisha Diekman	B.A.	2	Kindergarten
Emily Lohr	B.A.	6	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade
Arleen Willoughby	B.A.	29	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade
Heather Hull	M.A.	8	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade
Ellen Hagemeyer	B.A.	4	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Jessica McDonald	B.A.	1	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Janet Lancaster	B.A.	2	Music

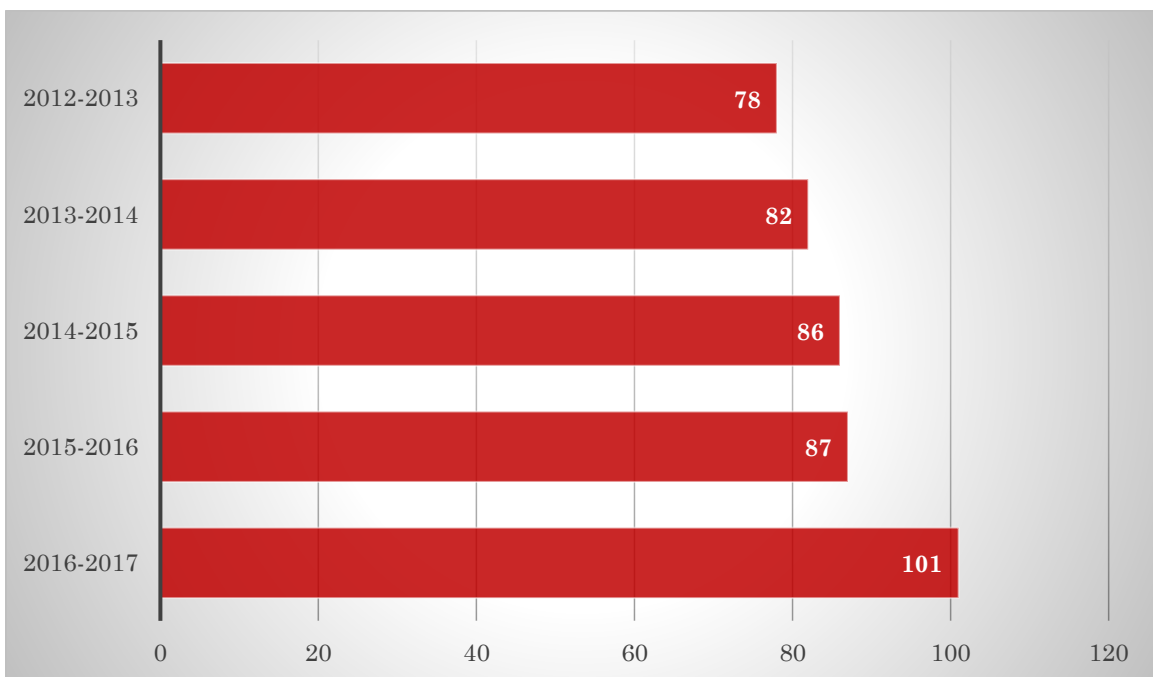
## CLASSIFIED STAFF

STAFF MEMBER	POSITION
Tammy Zarybnicky	Administrative Assistant
Shelli Hubka	Rectory/Business Secretary
Elaine Korus	Preschool Aide
Sam Stevens	Maintenance/Custodial
Donna Meyers	Custodial
Teresa Baginski	Foster Grandparent
Rose Marie Milke	Foster Grandparent
Marcella O'Bryan	Foster Grandparent

## ENROLLMENT

Grade	Female	Male	Total
PK 3	7	6	13
PK 4	11	14	26
K	7	10	17
1 <sup>st</sup>	4	4	8
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1	5	6
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5	5	10
4 <sup>th</sup>	8	2	10
5 <sup>th</sup>	6	6	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>101</b>

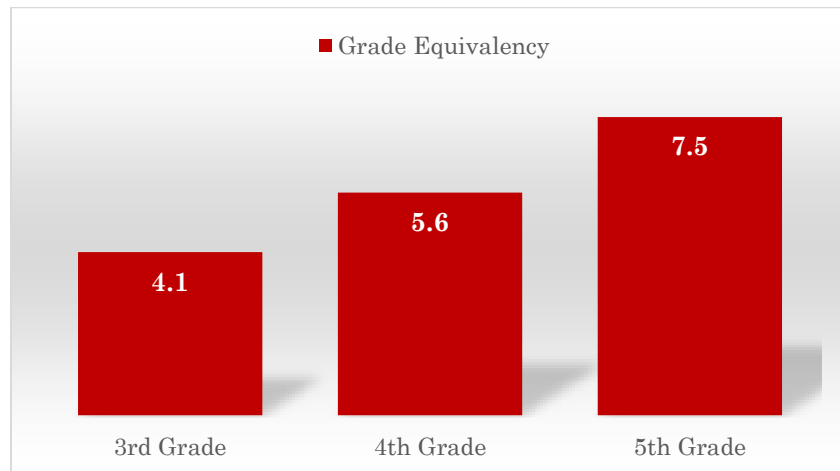
## PK-5 HISTORICAL ENROLLMENT FIGURES



## IOWA ASSESSMENTS

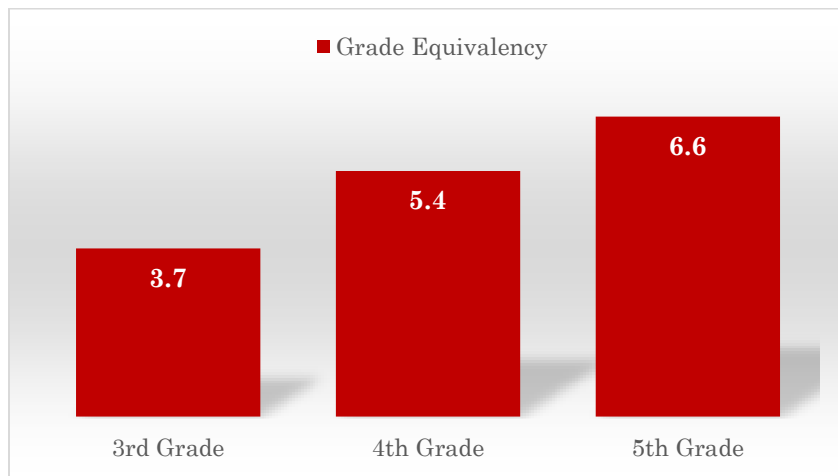
The Iowa Assessments, formerly known as the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, is a norm-referenced test developed by the University of Iowa. The Iowa Assessments measure student achievement in multiple content areas, monitor student growth, and provide the ability to make comparisons on a national level. The Iowa Assessments are given to students in grades 3-5 during the month of March.

### Language Arts

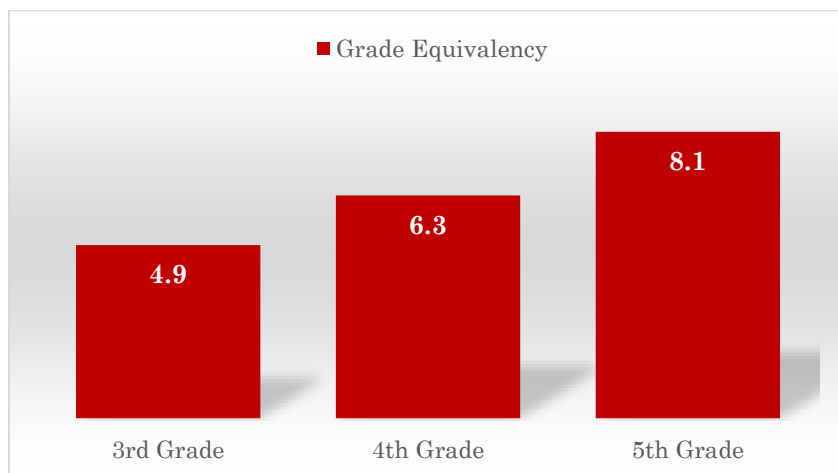


Note: Grade equivalency corresponds to a given standard score indicating the grade level and number of months of instruction at which the typical student has obtained this score. These results are from the 8<sup>th</sup> month of their respective grade (3.8, 4.8, and 5.8). Example: 5.4 shows that a typical student obtains these scores in the 4<sup>th</sup> month of 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

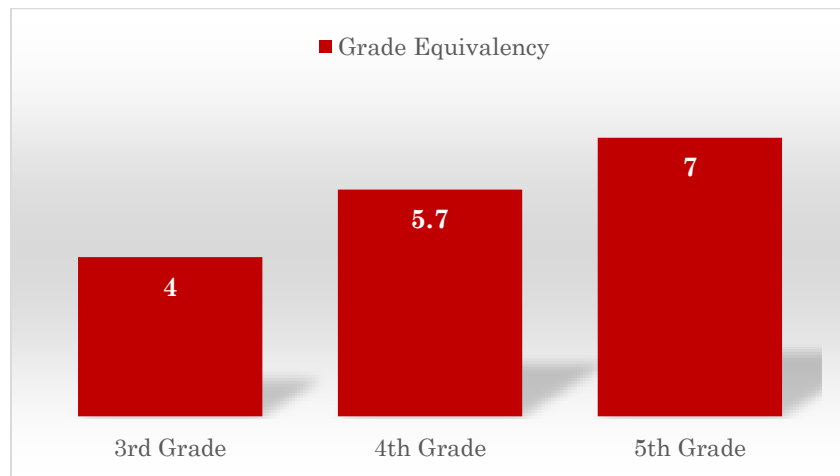
## MATH



## SCIENCE



## COMPOSITE



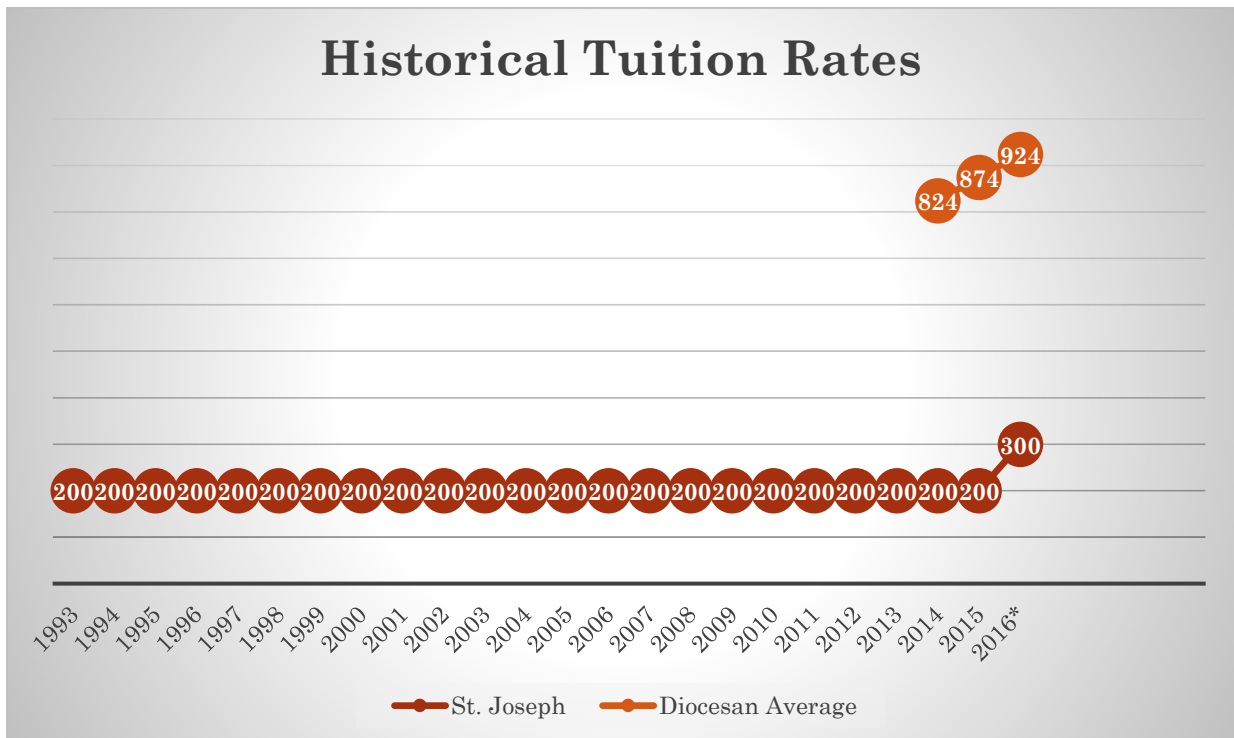
Interpreting Results – Analyzing norm-referenced results against the national norms is difficult with class sizes averaging between 10-12 students. However, 53% of our students scored in the 70<sup>th</sup> percentile or higher on the composite exam.

Individual test scores are given to parents in May and may also be requested, in person, from the school office.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Since 1993, tuition rates at St. Joseph were \$200. 2016-2017 saw the first increase in many years. The table below displays comparative rates for the average tuition of the Catholic schools in the Diocese of Lincoln.

### TUITION RATES



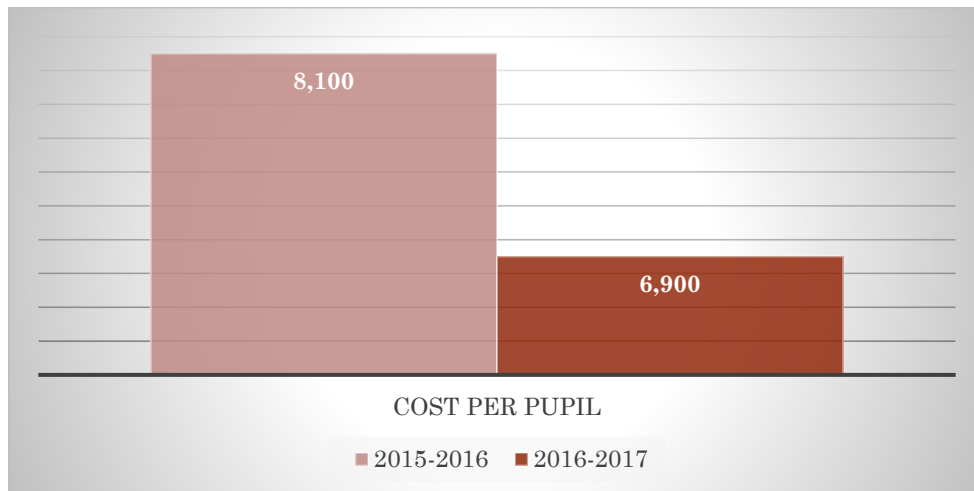
\* 2016 St. Joseph changed the previous “book fee” terminology to “tuition”.



## STEWARDSHIP COVENANT

St. Joseph Catholic Parish subsidized 90% of its revenue in 2015-2016 to St. Joseph School. The tuition rates of St. Joseph remain one of the lowest in the Diocese and throughout the State of Nebraska. Because of that, the school issued a Stewardship Covenant asking families to help cover the educational costs of the school by way of an increased tithe in 2016-2017. Our goal for 2016-2017 was to reduce the amount the parish subsidized from 90% to 75%. Below is an illustration of the results.

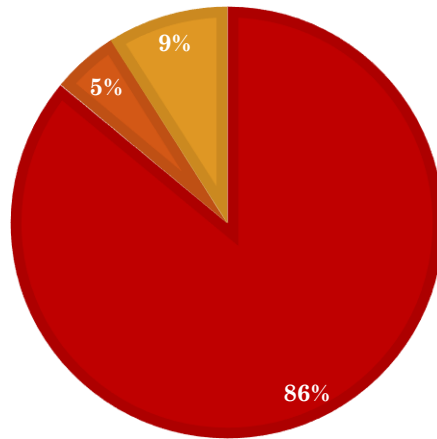
## COST PER PUPIL



Note: There was a 23% increase in enrollment between these two school years.

### EFFECTS OF STEWARDSHIP COVENANT

- Parish Subsidy
- Tuition Payments
- School Family Church Offering (Stewardship Covenant)



Note: Our school/parish goal was to reduce parish subsidies to the school from 90% to 75%. In 2016-2017, St. Joseph Catholic Church subsidized 86% of the school budget.