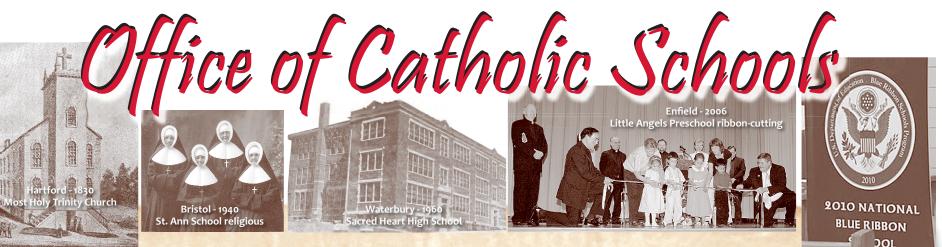
#### ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD • 2010 ANNUAL REPORT



# **A Proud Legacy** 180 Years of Excellence in Catholic School Education

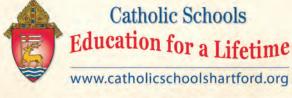
The first Catholic school in Connecticut was established on November 2, 1830 in the basement of the Church of the Most Holy Trinity in Hartford. From that auspicious beginning until 2011, the legacy of Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford thrives despite relentless current economic pressures. Today, more than 16,000 children and youth learn in 65 Catholic elementary and secondary schools across the three counties of the Archdiocese.

Catholicity is an authentic mark of the Archdiocese of Hartford network of schools, represented in the vital statistic that approximately 82% of the total enrollment is Catholic; reflecting not the mere statistic, but the daily "faith-in-action" inspired by Catholic Social Teaching and celebrated in word and worship within the school community. A particular source of pride is that Catholic schools also boast a minority pupil population of 26% while 18% of overall enrollments are students of other faiths whom we welcome with open hearts, open minds, and open doors. Inclusivity, multiculturalism, and global awareness are welcome enhancements permanently in place.

Only a few Catholic lay people made up the staff of our first school in 1830. Presently, there are 1,261 lay faculty 87% of whom are Catholic.

Throughout the decades since 1830, mostly women religious from a number of dedicated orders would make possible the proliferation of our school network. The golden years of Archdiocesan education were 1961-1974 when, excluding secondary schools, there were 106 elementary schools, and the overwhelming majority of teachers were women religious. Today, only 2% of religious/clergy remain in the ministry of Catholic school education. Female faculty members continue to dominate school staffs, numbering 970 (including part-time), or 75% of elementary, middle, and secondary institutions. Catholic education will remain forever in the debt of those consecrated religious women who taught and left such an amazing intellectual and moral impact on so many who attended our schools. The various ministries of these religious women demonstrated remarkable vision in building an academic and catechetical edifice in which such excellence flourished.

Twelve superintendents, initially titled "supervisors" and called to be "servant leaders," saw farther and dreamed bigger. Progress was cumulative, each



superintendent widening the parameters of tireless predecessors.

In 1906 - Reverend Patrick J. McCormick begins to unify the school network by organizing the premier Teachers' Institute at St. John Convent, Middletown; 1910 - Reverend William J. Fitzgerald crafts first official syllabus and demarcates with precision the school-day class times; 1920 – Reverend Edwin A. Flynn advocates Parent-Teacher Associations and establishes kindergartens; 1928 - The Most Reverend Maurice F. McAuliffe, Auxiliary Bishop of Hartford, serves for one year as Acting Supervisor of Schools and as President of St. Thomas Seminary; 1929 – Reverend Austin F. Munich initiates uniform testing and regular examinations; 1945 -'51 - Reverend Monsignor Arthur J. Heffernan, Ph.D. appoints a group of roving diocesan supervisors in addition to founding the Diocesan Teachers College and re-inaugurates the Teacher's Institute, held September 1948 at St. Joseph Cathedral; 1951-'61 - Reverend Monsignor Robert W. Doyle accelerates school organization by massive curriculum revision, proposes and plans construction of three regional high schools, and narrowly wins approval from the State legislature for a Transportation Bill providing buses for non-public school pupils; the latter truly signified the rising credibility of Catholic schools in the public eye, a hard-won recognition back then which can never be taken for granted even now.

The tenure of Reverend Monsignor James A. Connelly 1961-'74, an era earlier cited, was remarkable for its benchmarks of parish growth and subsequent school openings to accommodate a swelling Catholic student population. Official policy was also amended to allow women religious to be school principals, a long overdue recognition of the Sisters who were already 'de facto' directing many parish schools. More progress surged with the unprecedented opening of four new Archdiocesan high schools.

The Catholic school "boom" years ended in 1974, exacerbated by the first nationwide fuel crisis, the spiraling cost of living, and the drop in available women religious. In response, Reverend James G. Fanelli (Superintendent-1974-'89) established the nation's first formal Archdiocesan Development Program for Catholic elementary and secondary schools. In 1982 with the support of business leaders, he also established the Foundation for the Advancement of Catholic Schools.

In 1989, Brother John M. McGovern, C.S.C., a member of the Congregation of Holy Cross and the first consecrated religious brother to serve as superintendent, convened the Connecticut Federation of Catholic School Parents, a sentinel organization to inform Catholic parents about important trends in legislation affecting Catholic schools.

Reverend Zigford J. Kriss succeeded Brother John McGovern in 1992 and with episcopal consent broadened the financial base of the school network to include all parishes helping financially, even those without schools.

In August 2004, Dale R. Hoyt was appointed by Archbishop Henry J. Mansell as the twelfth superintendent and the first lay person to serve in this position. His tenure began with a new vision that captures "Catholic Schools: Education for a Lifetime" as the branding for the Archdiocese of Hartford. Superintendent Hoyt has enhanced the curriculum design to meet 21st century teaching skills; advanced school boards in becoming consultative and committee-driven, increased exposure through marketing campaigns, launched the first Office of Catholic Schools website, secured funding to advance alumni giving in the parish elementary/middle schools; partnered with the University of Dayton in establishing the distance learning adult faith formation program; updated all policies and procedures to meet current laws and appropriate practices; and published and implemented Common Threads which offers the strategic direction for Catholic schools and the Office of Catholic Schools.

In 2008, the Catholic School Board of the Archdiocese of Hartford, a 44-year-old consultative board, was awarded national recognition as an Outstanding School Board by the National Catholic Educational Association. In addition, the National Catholic Educational Associa-Continued on Page 2





### Vision Statement The fundamental purpose of Catholic schools is to advance the educational mission of the Church!

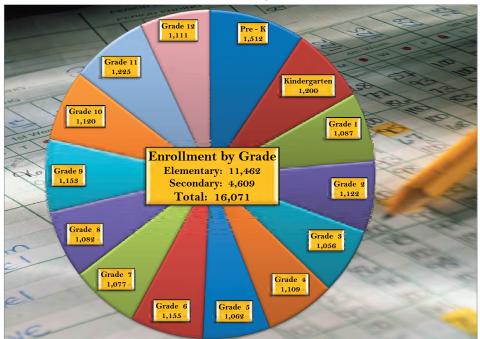
Catholic schools educate diverse student bodies to form Catholic, person-centered learning communities; provide quality teaching through traditional and innovative educational programs infused with Catholic Social Teachings; involve students to serve and support parish life and the local civic communities; graduate students who are critical thinkers, productive moral citizens, and spiritual leaders; and recognize and appreciate parents as the primary educators of their children.

### **2010 Financial Resources**

Percentage of schools providing some form of financial aid	100%
Total amount of Tuition Assistance from the Archbishop's Annual Appeal in 2010	\$861,000
Total amount of financial aid distributed by the high schools to secondary students in 2009-2010	\$8,314,788
Average cost of educating a child in Connecticut	
Total savings to the State for educating children and youth in the Archdiocese of Hartford\$23	34,797,310
Total Provided to Schools for Operations and Student Aid for	
Based on the following:	94,727,079
Total Archbishop's Annual Appeal	861,000
CSSP Elementary Scholarships	
CSSP High School Scholarships	299,000
2009 HOPES Collection distributed in 2010	250,000
2009 High School Collection distributed in 2010	148,413
CSSP Operational - Elementary as of 12/10	
CSSP Operational - High Schools as of 12/10	
Teacher/Administrator Grants	
Asbestos Management Costs	50,000
Bloodborne Pathogens Costs	1,500
TOTAL	4,727,879

... The unique value of a Catholic education stems from a program of studies integrating Catholic faith formation with a curriculum that prepares students for academic excellence and challenges them to reach their full potential. (Common Threads, 2008)

### **Enrollment by Grade**



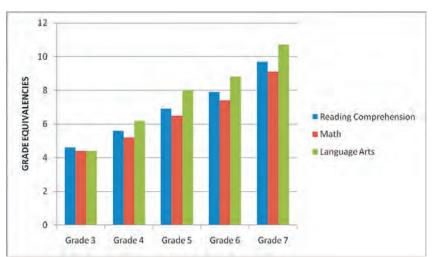
... Each Catholic school provides a safe environment that welcomes and celebrates diversity, embracing ethnic, cultural, religious and economic differences, and in the process, produces the future leaders of our Church and community.

(Common Threads, 2008)

#### **IOWA TEST OF BASIC SKILLS – SPRING 2010 RESULTS**

Each spring, students in grades 3 through 7 of the Catholic elementary and middle schools of the Archdiocese of Hartford take the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS). Their scores are reported in both grade equivalents and national percentiles. This year, as in the past, the performance of students in the Archdiocese of Hartford on all subtests of this battery - math, reading, language arts, science, and social studies - measured in the upper third of students tested nationally, and in many cases, even higher.

The following chart indicates the Archdiocesan average grade equivalents in the major tested areas. Students take ITBS in the seventh month (March) of each school year and should achieve minimally a grade equivalent score of the seventh month of whatever grade they are in. For example, third graders should score 3.7 (third grade, seventh month), fourth graders should score about a 4.7 (fourth grade, seventh month), and so on.

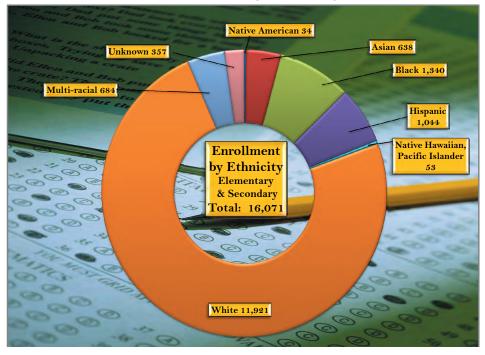


#### 2010 ITBS Results for Archdiocese of Hartford (ADH) Catholic Elementary and Middle Schools

#### SAT® – College Entrance Exam – SPRING 2010 RESULTS

The exceptional performance of Archdiocesan students on standardized testing continues when students move on to high school. Students in this Archdiocese perform well on all areas of the SAT, but especially in the reading and writing areas where performance is well above both state and national averages.

#### **Enrollment by Ethnicity**



#### **NEASC Accreditation Report**

All of the elementary, middle and high schools of the Archdiocese of Hartford are accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, a prestigious accrediting agency that sanctions such esteemed New England institutions as Harvard and Yale Universities. The process schools undergo to be accredited is an arduous one that includes a detailed self study, intensive peer review and timely responses to recommendations for improvement. Archdiocesan schools meet or exceed the demanding standards set by NEASC and understand that association with the independent schools of this organization deepens their commitment to excellence in education.

Congratulations to the following schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford who were granted reaccreditation during the Fall of 2009 and the Spring of 2010:

St. Anthony, Bristol, Fall 2009 St. Bridget, Cheshire. Fall 2009 St. Gabriel, Milford, Fall 2009 St. Gabriel, Windsor, Spring 2010

We commit to recruiting quality teachers and administrators who embrace Catholic identity and to providing them with ongoing adult faith formation. (Common Threads, 2008)



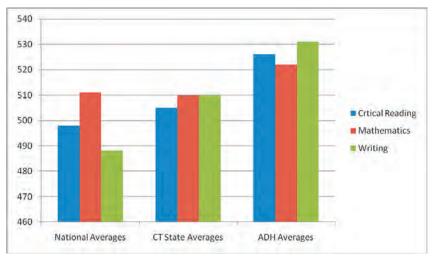
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tion has recognized priests, principals and teachers from the Archdiocese of Hartford as being nationally distinguished contributors to the advancement of Catholic school education.

In November of 2010, St. James School, Manchester and St. Martha School, Enfield, were named Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence by the United States Department of Education. Other Blue Ribbon Schools in the Archdiocese include Sacred Heart Academy, Hamden ('92-'93), St. Brendan School, New Haven ('89-'90), East Catholic High School, Manchester ('88-'89), Northwest Catholic High School, West Hartford ('88-'89), and St. Francis School, New Haven ('85-'86).

ally, morally and physically in an environment that is Christ centered. Student recruitment across the spectrum remains vigorous. Excellence in education is our hallmark in preparing future generations with the moral fiber to succeed in life. Development initiatives seem to have found "true north" on the Catholic school compass of priorities. Yet in our new millennium, Connecticut parish school closings are stubborn realities because

During the 2009-2010 school year, 1185 college bound students of the nine Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford took the SAT® as part of the college admissions process. The SAT uses a scaled score of 200-800 with a score of 500 being considered average. The average SAT score of students attending Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford is above both the State of Connecticut and the national average in all three tested areas. Significant differences are reflected in the scores in all three areas.



#### **2010 ADH SAT Results**

Today, many of our wonderful pastors are at the helm, committed to improving the quality of Catholic schools, led by a true champion of the cause of Catholic school education, Archbishop Henry J. Mansell. On September 6, 2005, Archbishop Mansell approved the first Nativity School established at St. Martin de Porres Academy, New Haven. Heinitiated a tuition assistance component of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal for Catholic elementary school students and in January 2008, published a pastoral letter on Catholic school education, "Together, We Produce Great People." Each year Archbishop Mansell is involved in and advocates for greater support from the federal and state legislators.

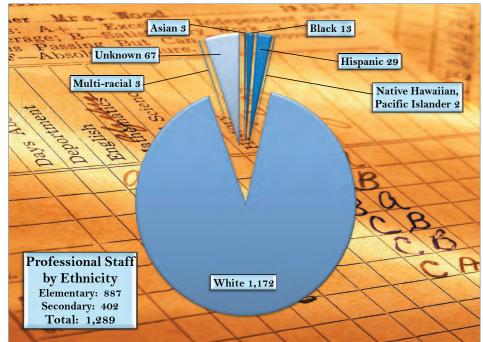
We remain steadfast in our purpose to educate students intellectually, spirituof a wavering economy, lack of resources from federal and state governments, shifting demographics and decreasing birth rates.

Archbishop Mansell reminds us in his pastoral letter that "Our Catholic schools must, without compromise, be living witnesses to the unity we have in Jesus. We must celebrate the legacy of Catholic school education and embrace a future with great confidence in our young people. We, the Catholic Church of Hartford, must mobilize ourselves to strengthen the ministry of Catholic school education and to profess confidently that, together, we produce great people".

As we proceed forward, we ask for your prayers, support and resources in our shared quest to enrich this great legacy in the second decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, and for many decades and centuries to come.

(This document originated in November 2006 in preparation for the historical 2007 Educational Symposium. Updates have been written by Dale R. Hoyt as history unfolds.)

#### **Professional Staff by Ethnicity**



"We commit to providing even more comprehensive support and instructions to local school boards so that they are better prepared to take a leadership role..." (Common Threads, 2008)

#### **Awards and Appointments**

Archdiocese of Hartford Celebrates Two Blue Ribbon Schools – Secretary of Education Arne Duncan announced the names of 2010 Blue Ribbon Schools in September. Among the 304 schools identified by the U.S. Department of Education, only 50 schools came from the private sector. Of those 50 schools, two were from the Archdiocese of Hartford. These schools were honored for their superior academic achievement, scoring in the top percent of schools in the nation in both reading and mathematics. The Archdiocese of Hartford is pleased to honor and recognize **St. James School, Manchester** and **St. Martha School, Enfield** for receiving this highest honor a school can receive in this country.

**Rev. Joseph V. DiSciacca,** Pastor of St. Joseph Church and School in Bristol, was named the 2010 – 2011 Archdiocesan Distinguished Elementary School Pastor. Fr. DiSciacca has served the Archdiocese of Hartford since 1973. Superintendent Hoyt presented the award to Fr. DiSciacca at a special mass honoring the Distinguished Pastor on January 30, 2011 during Catholic Schools Month.

**Margaret Williamson,** Principal/Chief Administrator of Northwest Catholic High School, received the 2010-2011 Archdiocesan Distinguished Principal Award. Superintendent Dale R. Hoyt was pleased to officially present her award at a special school ceremony on December 8, 2010. Mrs. Williamson has served at Northwest Catholic High School since 1987 and is the first secondary administrator in the Archdiocese ever to receive this prestigious award.

Joan Jespersen received the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award at the  $33^{rd}$  Annual HOPES Dinner on September 26, 2010 honoring Catholic elementary school volunteers. Mrs. Jespersen was recognized for her longstanding, diverse, and dedicated support of St. Anthony School in Winsted, her alma mater.

#### Elementary Principal Appointments 2010 – 2011

Dennis Beaupre – St. Brigid School, West Hartford (Interim) Linda Coppola – St. Mary - St. Michael School, Derby Sr. Eugenie Guterch, RSM – St. Vincent de Paul School, East Haven (Interim) Mary Macunas – St. Bernard School, Little Angels Pre-School, Enfield Thomas Maynard – St. Mary Magdalen School, Oakville Margaret McDonald – Saint Mary School, Newington Dr. Gene Nocera – St. Anthony School, Bristol Eileen Omundsen – Blessed Sacrament Catholic Day School, Waterbury Allison Rivera – St. Martin de Porres Academy, New Haven (President) Richard Wnuk – St. Stanislaus School, Meriden (Interim)

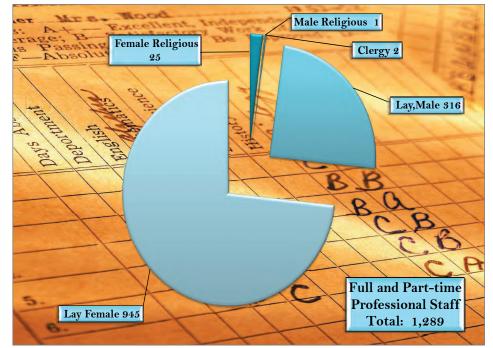
#### High School Chief Administrator Appointments 2010 – 2011

Anthony Azzara – Principal, Sacred Heart High School, Waterbury Sr. Maureen Flynn, ASCJ, Principal, Sacred Heart Academy, Hamden Dr. Karen Juliano – Interim Principal, East Catholic High School, Manchester Sr. Sheila O'Neill, ASCJ, Ph.D., President, Sacred Heart Academy, Hamden Eileen Regan – President/Chief Administrator, Sacred Heart High School, Waterbury

### **Catholic Alumni Partnership**

The Archdiocese of Hartford was one of seven arch/dioceses in New York and Connecticut

#### **Full and Part-time Professional Staff**



# Connecticut Federation of Catholic School Parents

- The Federation worked with local government officials in Milford, Meriden, New Britain and Waterbury to allocate funds for a textbook loan program. Over \$120,000 was appropriated to purchase textbooks for local Catholic school students.
- The Connecticut Federation of Catholic School Parents defeated a proposal in the State budget that would have reduced reimbursement to municipalities by 10% to provide transportation for private and religious schools.
- Early in the morning of May 5, the Connecticut State House of Representatives rejected an amendment that would have created a tax credit for corporations that donate to scholarship programs. The scholarships would have been used by middle and lower-income students to attend a private or religious school. While disappointed in the results, this is the first school choice vote the General Assembly had undertaken in 18 years.
- H.B. 5306, Operation of Child Day Care Centers, will make it easier for our Catholic Schools to operate after-school programs. The bill requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) to adopt regulations establishing physical plant requirements for licensed child day care centers and licensed group day care homes that exclusively serve school-age children. In doing so, DPH must consider those located in private or public school buildings. The bill requires DPH to implement policies and procedures while in the process of adopting these regulations.

CONNECTICUT FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENTS www.ctcatholic.org/schools

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# Foundation for the Advancement of Catholic Schools

Now in its 29th year, the Foundation continues to provide support to Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford. It is led by a Board of Trustees made up of clergy, educators, and business people dedicated to raising, managing and distributing funds for scholarships and special projects in our Archdiocese. In 2010, 178 scholar-

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that was blessed to have participated in the Catholic Alumni Partnership. Concluding on December 31, 2010, this ground-breaking, 19-month initiative was a privately funded effort to support Catholic elementary schools by helping them create a sustainable fundraising program with alumni support as its foundation. This \$570,000 gift to the Archdiocese of Hartford provided the tools and guidance each elementary school needed to identify, cultivate and solicit alumni. To date, dollars raised across all seven arch/dioceses exceeds \$1,800,000. Specifically within the Archdiocese of Hartford, the program has been a resounding success with over 73,000 alumni found and many wonderful school memories shared. To date, over \$340,000 has been raised in our Archdiocese, exceeding by far the first year goal of \$300,000.

ships were awarded for a total of \$326,200.

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\* = Appointed in July 2010

... Catholic educational programs involve more than just being a student in a classroom. Our students give witness to Christ's good news of hope, justice, love, reconciliation, and peace to people of diverse backgrounds. (Superintendent Dale R. Hoyt,

Superintendent Dale R. Hoyt, Common Threads, 2008)



Ansonia

### CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

**Berlin/Kensington** 

Annual Report



## **Assumption School**

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Assumption School in Ansonia, CT is commemorating 100 years of faith-filled education. There have been over 6,500 graduates. The dedicated faculty and staff, some of whom are graduates, work to provide an excellent Catholic education for students. Today, Assumption School is comprised of prekindergarten through grade eight. Faith life is evident through daily prayer services, school liturgies, sacramental preparation, service, mission outreach and the integration of Catholic Social Teachings. The curriculum includes the teaching of religion, language arts, mathematics, social studies, science, Spanish, physical education, music, art, and drama. Assumption School boasts state of the art technology to enrich the curriculum ~ a networked computer lab, Internet access in lab and every classroom, Smart Boards in many classrooms, classroom computers and laptops for every teacher.

A 2010 Assumption School graduate shared her testimony about the school in a recent alumni publication. She writes, "There is a feeling of community here that nurtures and protects everyone that comes into Assumption School; no one gets lost or overlooked. It is as if the teachers are on a personal mission to take the weaknesses in each of us and convert them to personal strengths . . . The lessons I learned here are the importance of working hard, the reward of determination and continued effort, the satisfaction of completing a task and the joy and power of a teacher's smile. I know now that I can push myself beyond what I see as a limitation."



### St. Paul School

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Saint Paul School has served the suburban community of Kensington and its surrounding towns since 1958. We continue to offer, with pride, an education that is rich in religious tradition and values to children in pre-school through the eighth grade. Accommodating the changing needs of today's parents and students, we are excited to launch a brand new full day preschool program this fall. We also offer an extended day program (before school and after school care). Our state-of-the-art handicapped accessible facilities promote academic excellence while providing every student the opportunity to reach his or her full potential. Facilities include a media center, science lab, art/music suite, fully equipped computer center, computers in every classroom, brand new playscape and a recently updated gymnasium. Students are encouraged to serve and support parish life, local communities and the world through efforts such as food & clothing drives, book drives for an area hospital, monthly visits to a local convalescent home, Haitian relief efforts, and an in-school recycling program.

Saint Paul School recognizes and appreciates parents as the primary educators of their children. Together with our parents we strive to advance the mission of our school in preparing our students to have the moral values, faith, integrity and knowledge to be the leaders of tomorrow.

#### Branford



## St. Mary School

Pastor: Rev. Christopher M. Ford Principal: Mrs. Donna Binkoski 62 Cedar Street, Branford, CT 06405

### Bristol



### St. Anthony School Pastor: Rev. Alphonso R. Fontana Principal: Dr. Gene Nocera

30 Pleasant Street, Bristol, CT 06010

#### Phone: 203-488-8386 Fax: 203-488-2347 Web Site: www.smsbranford.org email: saint.marys@snet.net

When Monsignor Cornelius Teulings arrived at Saint Mary Church, September of 1957, he purchased seven and a half acres of land on Cedar Street and announced plans for the construction of an elementary school. The school was paid for by the pledges solicited from parishioners who looked forward to having a school for the purpose of the propagation of the Catholic faith. On June 3, 1961, the Most Reverend Henry J. O'Brien, Archbishop of Hartford, dedicated the school. The school opened September 6, 1961. We proudly celebrate our 50th Anniversary serving the greater Branford community with Catholic tradition and academic excellence!

Saint Mary School offers a balanced curriculum that includes art, music, and physical fitness/wellness. Monday morning assemblies surround our students with a community where the words, stories, definitions and explanations studied in religion class come to life in action and prayer. We offer a multi-age model in the primary and intermediate levels, and a middle school model for grades five to eight. "Live" Spanish instruction is offered to all grades starting with Preschool. We have a commitment to technology and use it as one means to further promote our mission to spread His word, build community, and be of service. Our Athletic Program sponsors teams in basketball, baseball, softball, co-ed soccer, and cheerleading to develop teamwork and leadership skills. Our Extended Day Program partners with parents in providing a creative, social, learning experience for students, afternoons until 6:00 p.m. A safe, caring environment and a good stewardship of resources allow our students "to come in to learn, and go out to serve"! We provide a moral pathway of academic excellence for a lifetime and beyond.

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St. Anthony School is a vibrant Pre-K 3 through 8th Grade Roman Catholic grammar school in the heart of Bristol, Connecticut. We pride ourselves in nurturing the whole child: spiritually, morally, academically, and socially, through a variety of approaches, individualized to the needs of each of our diverse students. Our state-of-the-art interactive SMART Boards can be found in all K-8 classrooms, where our students learn to live and grow in a 21st century society, while keeping their faith at the heart of all they do. Students begin learning the Spanish language in Kindergarten, and proceed to master it over the course of their years with us.

We open our doors at 6:30 each morning, and close at 6:00 p.m. for our Extended Day Program, where students experience a "home away from home" environment if their guardians need an extra helping hand. Outside of school, the St. Anthony student is encouraged to select one or more of our many extracurricular activities, such as: Basketball, Soccer, Cheerleading, Newspaper, Knowledge Master, Student Council, Choir, or Band. St. Anthony School, rich in tradition, and abounding with highly qualified faculty and staff, is an optimal environment for children to learn authentically in close knit classroom settings. We are a family of students, faculty, staff, and parents, working together to ensure a quality Catholic education for all who call our school "home."

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#### Bristol



## St. Joseph School

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At St. Joseph School, faith-filled excellence defines the education we provide, the faculty and staff who serve, the parish-school community that is present, and the athletic and enrichment programs our students enjoy. Our experienced, credentialed faculty and comprehensive academic programs combine to provide our students with a strong academic and moral base. St. Joseph graduates consistently excel and achieve their potential in High School and beyond.

For over 100 years, St. Joseph students have thrived in our nurturing Pre-Kindergarten through 8th grade community located in the historical Federal Hill section of Bristol. St. Joseph School provides an all-day Pre-Kindergarten 4-year-old and Kindergarten program in addition to traditional half-day options, with aftercare available until 5 PM. SMART board technology in the classrooms, as well as state-of-the-art computer and science labs enhance the learning experience for all students. Student leadership opportunities, community service and enrichment programs, Spanish language instruction in grades 4-8, music and inter-conference athletics round out the academic offering at St. Joseph School.

At St. Joseph School we recognize each child's unique talents and work to educate and develop each to his or her potential. The St. Joseph School faculty and staff work collaboratively with school families to produce St. Joseph graduates that are prayerful, productive, caring members of the greater Bristol community.

#### **Bristol/Forestville**



### St. Matthew School

Pastor: Msgr. Thomas M. Ginty Principal: Sr. Christina Joseph, I.H.M. 33 Welch Drive, Forestville, Connecticut 06010 Phone: 860-583-5214 Fax: 860-314-1541 Web Site: stmatthewschool.com email: schristina@stmatthewschool.com

Saint Matthew School is a Catholic parish elementary school nestled in the village of Forestville within the city of Bristol, Connecticut. Saint Matthew School, "where educating minds and hearts matters", is comprised of students in Pre-Kindergarten three year old program to Eighth grade. Since its founding in 1961, the school has been guided by the educational expertise of the religious community of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, a dedicated, certified, and experienced faculty, who follow the Standards-based Curriculum from the Office of Catholic Schools of the Hartford Archdiocese.

Daily we strive to nurture our children in the Catholic faith and mentor them in maturing as moral, respectful, service oriented persons. We hold our students to high academic standards and responsibility for their studies. From year-to-year our students achieve excellence on their standardized tests. Our school is equipped with internet access, interactive white boards in each classroom as well as computers and laptops for student use. We strive to be attentive to the "whole" person, fostering faith and life, academics and service, so our students grow spiritually, intellectually, physically, and socially.

The school's very existence is a direct result of our belief in Jesus Christ and His gospel message of love. This is the inspiration for creating an environment which blends a prayer life, Christian morals and values, love and service, courtesy and hospitality, and high academic standards into the lives of our students, their parents, our faculty and staff and all who are part of our school community.

#### Cheshire



**St. Bridget School** Pastor: Rev. Robert P. Ricciardi Principal: Mrs. Margaret Whalen 171 Main Street, Cheshire CT. 06410

#### Derby



St. Mary – St. Michael School Pastors: Rev. Roman Gorowski, C.M.; Rev. Janusz Kukulka Principal: Mrs. Linda T. Coppola 14 Seymour Ave., Derby, CT 06418

### Web Site: www.stbridgetschool.org

St. Bridget Elementary School is located in Cheshire, CT serving students in grades Pre-K through grade 8 with two classrooms at each grade level. Students come from Cheshire and surrounding communities. Since opening in 1994, we have offered students a faith-based, challenging curriculum designed to promote academic excellence at all grade levels. Our living mission permeates all that we do. The safety of our students is paramount along with meeting each student's needs. Committed educators guide our students through the day with lessons in faith development, math, language arts, social studies, geography, science, music, art, and physical education. World Language is offered at all levels including pre-kindergarten. In addition, our teachers offer extra help before or after school on a weekly basis. Our curriculum includes the use of state-of-the-art computer and science labs and an extensive library. We are extremely proud of our recent standardized test scores where our students in 7th grade scored over the 90th percentile rank in both reading and math. In addition to a challenging curriculum, we offer many extracurricular activities including student ministry, student council, National Junior Honor Society, band, piano and violin lessons, sports teams, intramurals, and various activity clubs. There is an extended day program for families who require before and/or after school care and a curriculum-based summer school program. The school's campus was recently expanded. The gymnasium was upgraded and sports fields were added along with new art and music rooms, a state-of-the-art kitchen, and a parish center/dining hall.

St. Bridget School is a strong community of individuals working together to advance the mission of the Church as we prepare our students to be upstanding, contributing, moral citizens of our world.

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"Ask about our History... Join us for our Future!" St. Mary – St. Michael School in Derby has provided top-notch education for over 125 years. During that time, the school has reinvented itself numerous times to meet the educational needs of the Naugatuck Valley community. We were founded by lay people and after a long relationship with the Sisters of Mercy, are once again led by lay people. Our alumni list reads like a "who's-who" in the Valley. In other words, our history is safe and secure.

At St. Mary – St. Michael School we are excited about our future. All Catholic schools offer a safe, nurturing, learning environment. You'll get that from our school as well, but at St. Mary – St. Michael's you'll also get the best student to teacher ratio offered anywhere. From the moment you enter our school you will feel like you are part of a caring family. Challenging academics? You bet! On average, our students test 2-grade levels higher than their current class and 98% of our graduates enter private high schools. But that's not all! At St. Mary – St. Michael's we believe tremendous learning opportunities take place outside of the classroom. We offer boys and girls basketball, spirit squad, chorus, band, and this year we will be introducing a drama club. Commitment is not just a buzz word at St. Mary – St. Michael School. We have the support of two viable parishes, many of our faculty have been with us for many years, and our dedicated parents were recently featured on the Crossroads Magazine television show. At St. Mary – St. Michael School we are very proud of our past. But you better get sunglasses because the future is so bright you just might need shades!

#### **East Hartford**



### St. Christopher School

Pastor: Rev. Vincent J. Curran Principal: Mrs. Kathleen E. Madej 570 Brewer Street, East Hartford, CT 06118 Phone: 860 568 4100 Fax: 860 568 1070 Web Site: www.saintchristopherschool.org email: stchrisprincipal@yahoo.com

Saint Christopher School (Pre-K–8) is a healthy, vibrant faith community drawing children from eleven towns and nineteen parishes within the Archdiocese of Hartford. The school is an integral part of Saint Christopher Parish as well as the greater East Hartford community. Saint Christopher offers a full academic curriculum which includes Religion, Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. The program also includes Algebra, World Language, Computer Science, Physical Education, Music, and Art. The school is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Over the years, students and graduates have demonstrated and have received recognition for academic excellence. Many have gone on to place among the top members of their high school graduating classes.

Saint Christopher School recognizes the many changes occurring within society in the 21st Century which have an impact on education, and enthusiastically welcomes the challenge to respond to them. As the world is becoming increasingly more technological, Saint Christopher School prepares its students using the very best resources available in technology. The school also provides its students with a strong Catholic value orientation so that the students have a sound basis on which to make their future moral choices. Likewise, the school prepares its students for a more global society. Students leave Saint Christopher School prepared to meet their responsibilities as individuals and as members of society.

#### East Haven



### St. Vincent de Paul School

Pastor: Rev. Thomas A. Sievel Principal: Sr. Eugenie Guterch, RSM (Interim) 35 Bishop Street, East Haven CT 06512 Phone: 203-467-1606 Fax: 203-467-8861 Web Site: www.stvincentdepaulschool.org

St. Vincent de Paul School, accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, emphasizes Christian values, stewardship, citizenship and academic excellence. Faculty members are respected and deeply committed professionals. Creative activities are offered the students from athletics and band to a variety of interest clubs, drama and student run publications. Student Council and the Pope John XXIII Chapter of Honor Society support the values of stewardship, citizenship and academic excellence. Utilizing resources presently on the school campus, an early childhood education center newly houses the Pre-K-4 and Kindergarten students in a creative learning environment.

Students are well prepared academically. St. Vincent de Paul School is proud of the technology partnership with Global Academics and the University of Richmond. The Trajectory partnership provides our students with the finest technology education including a comprehensive teacher training program in instructional theory, curriculum integration and application software, as well as a technology program based on literacy objectives in ten different technology areas and thus access to a variety of resources in technology.

The school aspiration encourages the students to their full potential academically, personally, spiritually, physically and socially. "To act justly, to love tenderly and to walk humbly with our God" – Micah 6

#### Enfield



## Little Angels Catholic Pre-School

Pastor: Rev. John P. Melnick Principal: Mrs. Mary Macunas 424 Hazard Avenue, Enfield, CT 06082

### Enfield



## Enfield Montessori School

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The Enfield Catholic Schools have teamed up and initiated an early childhood program that focuses on education and fun in a safe, nurturing Christian Environment. Little Angels Catholic Pre-School is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. We have certified and experienced early childhood teachers.

The Pre-School program is designed for a child's first exploration into a school experience and seeks to instill positive feelings toward learning. The purpose of the program is to provide a safe and nurturing learning environment where children can foster a feeling of well being and positive self-esteem, and to help each child become aware that they are unique and special individuals.

The objective of the program is to assist children in developing socially, emotionally, intellectually, spiritually and physically by providing instruction and education. These objectives are achieved by introducing learning materials and activities to their stage of development. We have in-school field trips, outreach programs and guest speakers.

Little Angels Catholic Pre-School offers full and half day programs. Tuition assistance is available to those who qualify. We are a Care 4 Kids provider. There is also a Before and After School Program that is available on a per hour basis and as needed by the parents.

Little Angels Catholic Pre-School continually strives to meet the needs of today's working parents who are constantly searching for quality childhood education.

#### web Site: EnfieldMontessoriSchool.org email: montessorischool@cox.net

"The role of education is to interest the child profoundly in an external activity to which he will give all his potential." - Dr. Maria Montessori

The Enfield Montessori School seeks to provide an atmosphere that generates joy in learning and guides the student towards independence, both in the pursuit of knowledge and in the development of self-discipline and maturity. We are concerned with the total development of our students and provide the structure and environment for our students to become life-long learners who are fascinated by books, interesting people, technology, and new ideas.

The Montessori program is for all children, consciously designed to recognize and address different learning styles, helping students learn to study most effectively. Since self-motivation and self-education by the student are key components of the Montessori Method, teachers guide rather than dictate the student's path to learning. The specifically prepared environment makes it possible for students to work at their own pace, yet offers tasks to nurture and challenge them. Students progress as they master new skills, moving ahead as they are ready. Our teachers provide clear limits, but allow children freedom within established boundaries. They sensitively respond to the needs of students while maintaining high expectations which result in children showing high levels of maturity, achievement, and other positive characteristics. By its nature, the Montessori program promotes intrinsic motivation, social responsibility, and spiritual awareness. Students who complete our program are fully prepared for the subsequent schools they will attend. A Montessori education is truly one of the best gifts you can give your child.

#### Enfield



### St. Bernard School

Pastor: Rev. John P. Melnick Principal: Mrs. Mary Macunas 232 Pearl Street, Enfield, CT 06082 Phone: 860-745-5275 Fax: 860-745-0167 Web Site: www.sbs-enfield.com email: principal@sbs-enfield.com

For the past fifty-two years, St. Bernard School has turned out many wellrounded and well educated members of the community. Our K-8 program offers students a comprehensive curriculum centered on a rich Catholic identity and the development of the student as a whole. Our primary task is to reflect, celebrate and share the message of Christ in our contemporary world. Every student at St. Bernard is helped to reach his or her developmentally appropriate level of physical, spiritual, academic and social potential. The dedicated faculty and staff provide a caring and supportive environment through small class size, one on one tutoring, before and after school programs, and extra curricular opportunities.

The student to teacher ratio allows for differentiated instruction based on each individual student's abilities and needs. Our efforts to maintain an up-to-date media center along with classroom computers and SMART boards for student/teacher use provide for a more hands on approach to learning. Students are encouraged to participate in activities such as basketball, cheerleading, soccer, band, choir, Christmas and spring concerts, living stations, and monthly masses at St. Bernard Church. The St. Bernard student council helps facilitate class participation in our various community outreach and charity programs. Parental commitment to the school through fundraising and community awareness is another key to our success. Over the past three years, many of our junior high students have been inducted into the National Junior Honor Society. We are proud to say that our graduates have gone on to various high schools and have been very successful in furthering their academic pursuits.

#### Hamden



St. Rita School Pastor: Rev. Philip J. Sharkey Principal: Sr. Maureen Fitzgerald, A.S.C.J. 1601 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT 06517

#### Enfield



## St. Martha School

Administrator: Rev. J. Daniel McElheron Principal: Sr. Theresa Marie Grochowski, CSSF 214 Brainard Road, Enfield, CT 06082 Phone: 860-745-3833 Fax: 860-745-3329 Web Site: www.stmarthaschool-ct.org email: saintmartha.school@snet.net

St. Martha School, recognized as a 2010 National Blue Ribbon School, is a holistic elementary (K-8) educational institution rooted in the Catholic Faith which serves students of diverse religious, ethnic, socio-economic, and cultural backgrounds. Visitors are quick to note the structured, safe, and welcoming attitude of the school family. The school grounds offer acres of woods and two ponds with wonderful opportunities for science exploration and experimentation. The school also boasts complete science and algebra labs which enable the students to better prepare for high school classes. The students thrive on a strong academic program where failure is not an option.

In early October, eighth grade students "adopt" kindergarten students, meeting with them on a weekly basis to develop good work habits and be good role models, which encourages leadership and cooperation at an early age. Respect for self and others is modeled at St. Martha School. Monthly awards are presented to students who show acts of kindness, patience, responsibility, and other virtues. Students learn that they have the duty and responsibility to help their neighbor, whether down the street or on the other side of the world. The students are very proud that they helped build six houses in Haiti, sponsored a child in El Salvador for the last eight years by earning the money through summer employment, and supported the Heifer International Project, in order to help break the cycle of poverty. The children also responded with generosity to drives for our local food shelf and soup kitchen. Strong academic preparation, care, concern and responsibility for each other, coupled with a quest for social justice are the hallmarks of a St. Martha student.

#### Hamden



# St. Stephen School

Pastor: Rev. Robert G. Heffernan Principal: Mrs. Maria Testa 418 Ridge Road, Hamden, Connecticut 06517

#### Phone: 203-248-3114 Fax: 201-248-1016 Web Site: www.stritaschool.org email: stritaschool@gmail.com

St. Rita School in Hamden, CT is truly "... the place to be where the love of Christ is lived and shared." St. Rita School has been educating students in the Catholic faith tradition for more than 50 years. We provide a solid faith based curriculum (Pre-K 3 through grade 8) that focuses on strong academics, while at the same time challenging students to integrate technology skills, engage in activities that focus on the arts, and participate in sports. Our faculty is dedicated to fostering in our students a sense of respect and a commitment to service.

Our graduates assume leadership roles in their high schools and are recognized for their achievements in academics, drama, and sports. These young men and women continue to give of themselves in service to others throughout high school and into adulthood. The parent of a recent graduate has said it best, "St. Rita School has made my son who he is as he goes off to high school. I feel very grateful to the school for how it has set him up for life. Students at St. Rita School will end up with a built-in sense of respect—for authority and for others; a strong conscience; and a feeling that they have a place in the world, and that the world is a good place."

St. Rita School prepares students to walk into the future with the assurance that they are loved... with a strong academic foundation... with a respect for others... with an appreciation for the arts... with skills cultivated through sports... and with a Christ-centered faith that celebrates God's presence within and among all people.

#### Phone: 203-288-6792 Fax: 203-287-9158 Web Site: www.saintstephenschool.net email: saintstephenschool@gmail.com

Saint Stephen School is a Roman Catholic Elementary School in Hamden, Connecticut, serving students from 21 parishes and 10 neighboring towns. With a majority of our student population from outside the parish, we promote an environment of inclusion, where the diversity among our students is valued and celebrated within a small nurturing community deeply rooted in faith. We are blessed to have a supportive pastor who provides spiritual guidance and participates actively in all school events. Our dedicated and experienced faculty is fully committed to your child's education. Our ten classroom teachers in grades Pre-K through grade 8 have 134 years of teaching experience within the Archdiocese of Hartford, with 127 years right here at Saint Stephen School. Our faculty, along with the parents of Saint Stephen School, come together as a family and share in the spiritual, academic, and social education of the children.

Saint Stephen School provides an effective educational program that meets the graduation outcomes for our students. Many of our graduates attend prestigious private and /or Catholic high schools in surrounding towns. In addition to our after school program, we also offer a full day 4-year-old Pre-K program and a full day kindergarten program. Our middle school students are enjoying SMART Board technology, allowing them to be active participants in their daily learning. We are extremely proud of our new spacious library and state of the art computer lab. Our students are also inspired to be active and responsible citizens in the community by becoming involved in a number of service projects throughout the year. Through our commitment to the values and philosophy of a Catholic education, Saint Stephen School creates a learning community in which students are challenged and loved.

#### Hartford



### St. Augustine School

Pastor: Rev. José A. Mercado Principal: Mrs. Cynthia Niedbala 20 Clifford St., Hartford, CT 06114 Phone: 860-249-5661 Fax: 860-293-2981 Web Site: http://staugustine.eduK12.net email: ckniedbala@gmail.com

Saint Augustine School provides a quality Catholic education within a safe, nurturing, and positive learning environment, where each person is loved and accepted for their unique contributions. For over eighty years, the school community has embraced cultural diversity and continues to open its doors to immigrant families. With Christ as our model, teachers dedicate themselves toward developing the whole child—mind, body, and soul. Students engage in a rigorous academic program including a traditional core curriculum of religion, math, social studies, language arts, technology, arts and music, and Latin study. Children benefit from individualized attention in small classes. Students have the opportunity to participate in after-school activities, including Basketball, Cheerleading, martial arts, yoga, Student Council, and Art Club. Daily prayer stimulates students toward becoming well-rounded individuals. The school chapel allows for frequent meditation and self-reflection during Eucharistic Adoration and monthly Mass.

Saint Augustine School lives the mission of Jesus Christ every day - working to form, inform, and transform young lives. Involvement in various charitable causes and community outreach throughout the year teaches our students to build a strong character. Students learn and understand the values of respect, responsibility, and caring that are needed for life-long learning. Students learn how to make the right choices and to behave morally with respect for others and themselves.

Saint Augustine School also offers an After School Program, an active Home/ School Association, and a dedicated staff. Families find welcome support along with financial assistance. Saint Augustine School is "A Place For You!"; a place for every child who seeks an exceptional education in a supportive faith-based setting.

#### Madison



Our Lady Of Mercy School Pastor: Msgr. John P. Conte, St. Margaret Church Pastor: Rev. James A. Shanley, St. George Church Principal: Dr. John R. Alfone 149 Neck Road, Madison, CT 06443 Phone: 203-245-4393 Fax: 203-245-3498 Web Site: www.olmschool.com email: olmschool@olmschool.com

#### Hartford



### SS. Cyril and Methodius School

Pastor: Rev. Adam C. Subocz Principal: Sr. Dolores Anne Ungerer, CSSF 35 Groton Street, Hartford, CT 06106-2702 Phone: 860-522-8490 Fax: 860-493-7409 Web Site: www.sscmschool.org email: sdau214@aol.com

#### "Oasis in the City"

Each child enrolled at SS. Cyril and Methodius School is held to be special and unique as part of God's creation. For over 105 years, our faculty - religious and lay - respond to the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, psychological, social and aesthetic needs of our students. These fundamentals provide our students with the opportunity to pursue their education at high schools, colleges and universities across the United States and abroad. We recognize the fact that parents are the "primary teachers". Therefore, we strive to work together with them in order to build a strong, faith community through evangelization. Today the School reflects the multi-ethnic fabric of the population of the City of Hartford but maintains the teaching of the faith, Gospel values and a commitment to practice the faith by prayer and social concern for the community. This proud heritage and legacy of providing quality Catholic education continues as SS. Cyril and Methodius School remains confidently strong, vibrant, and committed to the future.

We at SS. Cyril and Methodius School commit ourselves to:

Faith: following Jesus Christ, His teachings and values;

Focus: integrating spiritual, moral, academic, physical, cultural and social qualities;

Future: preparing to meet the challenges of academic excellence within a community of faith.

#### Manchester



## **Assumption School**

Pastor: Rev. Kevin P. Cavanaugh Principal: Ms. Marguerite Ouellette 27 South Adams Street, Manchester, CT 06040

Our Lady of Mercy School is an inter-parish school located along the shoreline in Madison, CT with sports fields overlooking scenic Long Island Sound! The school is operated under the guidance and support of two local parishes, St. George, Guilford, CT and St. Margaret, Madison, CT. Our Lady of Mercy School teaches students from grades Pre-K and Kindergarten at their Early Childhood Center, in downtown Madison, and Grades 1-8 at the main campus, located at 149 Neck Road, Madison.

Our Lady of Mercy School is a special family-oriented school of excellence. Our classes are taught by a wonderful group of experienced and highly talented educators who teach a balanced curriculum including: English, social studies and civics, science, spelling, math, world language, music, technology, art, physical education and Christian education. Special features include a new science lab and wireless classroom technology. The mission of the school is to educate students To Be Christ in The World by educating their Heart, Mind and Spirit. Our Lady of Mercy School focuses on the individual needs and talents of each student, helping them discover their life's journey. What sets Our Lady of Mercy School apart is the school's commitment to excellence, leadership, service, morality, character and civic responsibility. Our students are taught respect for God, family, the flag and their country. Most importantly, each student is encouraged to reach their potential by providing a valuable foundation for a changing world.

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Assumption School is a wonderful place – spiritually, academically, and socially. It is a haven where children are well nurtured and taught by certified and gifted teachers, and where they are encouraged to grow in knowledge, a sense of morality, and love of God. Our children do well academically, scoring an average of two grades above the national norm. They have the benefit of excellent, up-to-date textbooks and technology in every classroom. Assumption children come from a variety of backgrounds – a blessing for us all, as this cultural diversity makes our strong sense of community especially significant. You can sense the happiness of our children, as they feel cared for and appreciated for themselves.

Assumption School has a strong Catholic identity, including daily prayer and a commitment to living our faith. We teach the children to love God and their neighbor and to serve others in Christ's name – integral to the heart of a Catholic education. Assumption School recognizes its three-fold task of message, community, and service. We spread the Gospel message to live as Christ lived through word and example, guiding each child to an appreciation of his/her special qualities as a child of God. We strive to facilitate each child's emotional, intellectual, social, physical, and spiritual development in the light of the teachings of Jesus with the goal of developing students of respect, responsibility and resourcefulness. Each child is helped to nurture a positive self-image and develop self-discipline in all areas of his/her education. This is a school where children are allowed to be children as we prepare them for adulthood.

#### Manchester



## St. Bridget School

Pastor: Rev. Stephen M. Sledesky Principal: Mrs. Mary Alice Nadaskay 74 Main Street, Manchester, CT 06042 Phone: 860-649-7731 Fax: 860-646-6936 Web Site: www.school.saintbridget.com email: office@school.saintbridget.com

Saint Bridget School (Pre-K–8) is an active, strong and caring faith community within the Archdiocese of Hartford and open to students of all faiths and cultures. The mission of the school is to help each student grow spiritually, academically, and socially. Student daily accessibility to laptops and smart boards, a strong writing program, an interactive Math and Reading series, Religion, Science, History, Geography, Art, Music, Algebra, Spanish and Physical Education instruction equip our students with the skills they need to be successful. We provide an extended day program, a part time resource teacher and social worker as well as paraprofessionals in the primary unit. We offer an extensive variety of extra curricular activities which include basketball, baton, scouts, band, drama, robotics, Future Problem Solvers, soccer, cheerleading and student council. Our students typically score on average two grade levels above national norms on standardized testing and the school is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

The culture of Saint Bridget School is distinctively Catholic with a Christ-centered mission and programs. Our students learn to connect faith to life and are actively involved in monthly social justice service projects. As one family the Saint Bridget School community works together to serve one another, to make a positive difference in our local community and subsequently in society as a whole. Students leave Saint Bridget School with the foundation required to become moral and responsible citizens.

#### Meriden



Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

Pastor: Rev. David C. Carey Principal: Mrs. Norine McDermott 115 Lewis Avenue, Meriden, CT 06451

#### Manchester



### St. James School

Pastor: Rev. Kevin P. Cavanaugh Principal: Mrs. Patricia A. Kanute 73 Park Street, Manchester, CT 06040 Phone: 860-643-5088 Fax: 860-649-6462 Web Site: www.SaintJamesSchool.net email: pattiprincipal@cox.net

Saint James School provides a quality Catholic education, based on the teachings of Jesus Christ, to a culturally diverse body of students from Pre-K to Grade Eight. Inspired by the Sisters of Mercy, teachers and parents collaborate to nurture the unique God-given gifts of each student, to help them realize their full potential, and to prepare them for a life of service to others.

Saint James School is dedicated to developing the child within an atmosphere of Catholic ideals. As educators, Saint James teachers are devoted to the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, and physical growth of each child. The school provides a strong academic foundation. In addition to the traditional core curriculum, students are enriched with foreign language (Spanish), technology, athletics, and a fine arts program that includes art, music, band, and drama. In addition, Saint James School has the proud distinction of being selected as a Blue Ribbon School. This honor recognizes Saint James School as a school whose students achieve at very high levels.

Saint James School strives to be a positive member of the community. The school tries to live its mission of spreading the Gospel through its participation in various charitable causes. Involvement in these activities has helped our students begin the process of being responsible and contributing members of society. At Saint James School, there exists a unique gift and calling. The world is in need of the Christian values the school offers society. The school nurtures these values, along with a strong academic curriculum. Saint James School's goal is to form, inform, and transform the students into individuals who will lead into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

#### Meriden



### St. Joseph School

Pastor: Rev. Shawn T. Daly Principal: Mrs. Kathy A. Spencer 159 West Main Street, Meriden, CT 06451

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For over sixty-five years, Our Lady of Mount Carmel School has provided a challenging academic program that advances our students to their fullest potential by teaching Catholic doctrine and values while developing their academic skills. There is a family atmosphere at our school. We encourage the students and their families to become part of the nurturing school community which still maintains strong bonds to the parish. This family atmosphere is evident since many parents know each other not only through the school but in the Meriden community as well.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School provides its families with a Pre-K-4 through eighth grade program. Our school emphasizes respect and responsibility for one's words and actions and our staff reinforces this goal through daily lessons, school activities and, most importantly, as we live our faith. Students experience a full academic program enhanced by world language in grades one through eight, technology integrated lessons, a computer lab, art, music, and theater.

Offering our families programs throughout the entire school year makes us truly unique. We have extended our Before and After School programs to include vacation and summer programs and are open twelve months of the year to help meet our families' needs. Our new playscape offers the children a healthy activity for their enjoyment while attending these programs.

Students attend First Friday Mass each month as well as on holy days of obligation. There is a monthly reconciliation service for students in grades three through eight and the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist are administered in second grade. Come see all we have to offer your child!

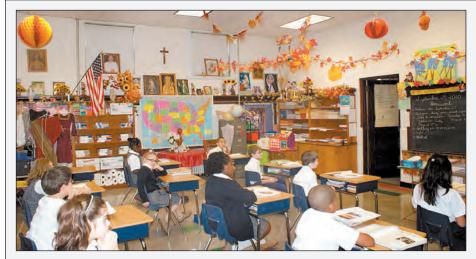
#### Web Site: www.sjs-meriden.org email: sjs@sjs-meriden.org

Saint Joseph School is a K-8 Catholic educational community which has thrived in the heart of Meriden since 1915. Our caring and dedicated staff creates a welcoming atmosphere and prepares students to meet the future with a foundation of faith, skills and knowledge. Our Pastor, Father Shawn Daly, visits the school every day to interact with the students and staff and to teach Religion to our eighth grade students. With a faith-filled and personal commitment, the faculty and staff apply current teaching methodology and practical technology applications to prepare each student to reach his/her academic potential. Our love of God and love of our neighbors is present through prayer and personal responsibility which is nurtured in each student every day.

"It feels like a family," is the way students typically describe their experience at Saint Joseph School. Through celebration of Mass, daily prayer and reflection, community service and outreach, sports, musical and performing arts, extended care, and strong academic foundations, the students of Saint Joseph School graduate as leaders, ready for the challenges of high school, college, and to become the responsible decision-makers of tomorrow. Financial assistance is readily available for new and continuing families and, unique to a grammar school, we offer extensive college scholarships to graduates of Saint Joseph School. Through the many educational programs, recognition of academic achievements and a loving staff, Saint Joseph School is a wonderful community for your child.

#### Annual Report

#### Meriden



### St. Stanislaus School

Pastor: Rev. Edward Ziemnicki Principal: Mr. Richard Wnuk, Interim 81 Akron St., Meriden CT 06450 Phone: 203-237-1005 Fax: 203-630-3424 Web Site: www.ststansedu.org

St. Stanislaus is a neighborhood Catholic grade school which began back in 1897 and currently houses over 200 students from Meriden as well as surrounding towns. In addition, the school has expanded to incorporate a Pre-Kindergarten program for three- to four-year-olds, a computer lab offering full time computer instruction, a full time art program and a hands-on science lab to serve the needs of our junior high science program. As these programs have expanded, so has the use of the parish community center. This building has been completely renovated to meet the needs of the schools' community. It currently houses our gymnasium and full cafeteria.

As the needs of the community have grown, so has the school, continuing with the fine tradition of quality of Catholic education. St. Stanislaus School offers a free before school program and an affordable after school program. Our students have the ability to attend Latin and /or Spanish Club. They practice the chime choir and singing in our designated music room. A truly experienced and devoted faculty develops each student spiritually and academically. Our Pastor, Father Edward Ziemnicki, meets with our students on a weekly basis to add to our Religion classes. Through new innovations and technology along with 100 year old traditions, St. Stanislaus builds character into our young men and women and prepares them for secondary school and for the rest of their lives. St. Stanislaus School is a great place to build your child's foundation!

#### Milford



## St. Gabriel School

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Saint Gabriel School provides a quality, Catholic education in a safe, caring and nurturing learning environment for all students. We respect the uniqueness of each child by recognizing individual needs, gifts and talents. We provide a full academic curriculum integrating Catholic values with Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, Language Arts, Fine Arts, Music, Technology, Physical Education and Foreign Language. The latest Iowa-Testing statistics indicated Saint Gabriel students performed two to three grade levels above the national average. We have a school-wide Science Fair in February of each year. Our resource staff offers enrichment programs and remedial programs to our students. Saint Gabriel School is in compliance with NCLB (No Child Left Behind), and is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc. Spanish is taught at all grade levels and is a major subject in the middle level grades. Our school has a chapter of the Spanish Honor Society, Sociedad Hispanica de Amistad: one of only a small number in the state of Connecticut. The National Junior Honor Society also has a chapter at Saint Gabriel School and inductions into these groups occur each year.

We offer state of the art mobile computer lab and integrated Smart Board technology for grades K-8; full day preschool and kindergarten; extra-curricular activities (student ambassadors, choir, band, yearbook staff and clubs); and athletics including basketball, softball and soccer with a positive competitive spirit. We also offer on-site afterschool care and zero tolerance bullying policy.

#### Milford



St. Mary School Pastor: Rev. James J. Cronin Principal: Mr. Frank Lacerenza 72 Munson Street, Milford, CT 06460

#### Naugatuck



## St. Francis of Assisi School

Pastor: Rev. Michael J. Slusz Principal: Mr. Thomas Fuller 294 Church Street, Naugatuck, CT 06770

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St. Mary School offers a faith-based Pre-kindergarten through grade 8 Catholic Education which integrates faith with all of knowledge. The focus is on the whole child, recognizing that only by working with the intellectual, the emotional, the physical and the spiritual does one really enable a child to grow into a mature Christian minded adult. The culture of the school is family oriented with parents, staff, and the students themselves contributing to everyone's well being. Giving service to others is a hallmark of the community, recognizing that all have the responsibility to help others.

Because technology is an important aspect of life in the 21st Century, it has also become a valuable tool in the educational process at St. Mary's. Whether it be through our Computer Lab, the floating "Lap Top Cart" in the upper grades, or the Interactive White Boards being installed in all our classrooms, St. Mary School provides the skills our children will need as they grow to become our future leaders.

Those high schools to which our children go after gradation all testify to the fact that our students leave our school well prepared for the academic, social and emotional rigors of high school. Standardized testing also give objective testimony that our children are not only above the national norms but that their rate of growth exceeds expectations. There are today countless alumni who are very proud to have been students at St. Mary School and know, first hand, the value of a quality Catholic education attainable at St. Mary School of Milford, Connecticut.

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St. Francis of Assisi, a Pre-K through grade 8 school, is truly a "Family of Faith." Not only do the students plan and participate in weekly Masses, but also the students create Masses with specific religious and community themes. St. Francis of Assisi School is committed to the development of programs which provide the foundation of each student's growth as a whole Catholic Christian child. The strength of our program lies in the model initiated by Jesus: Message, Service, and Community. Community involvement and charities is an important part of a St. Francis of Assisi education.

Over the past decade, St. Francis of Assisi School has produced a number of local high school valedictorians and salutatorians. In addition to having a challenging academic program, St. Francis of Assisi School provides numerous extra-curricular activities for all of its students. Besides having winter and spring sports programs for grades 5 through 8, St. Francis has a year-round intramural program, which provides exercise and fun for its grades K through 4 students. St. Francis of Assisi School also provides opportunities for all of its students who enjoy the arts with its Drama and Junior Drama programs. Enrichment programs, dealing with all areas of the school's curriculum, are scheduled every month. An active Home School Association promotes and organizes many family activities throughout the year, including arts and crafts and sporting events. St. Francis of Assisi School's faculty, parents, and students are truly "Friends Forever."

### Naugatuck/Union City



## St. Hedwig School

Pastor: Rev. Adam Hurbanczuk Principal: Dr. John J. Salatto 32 Golden Hill Street, Naugatuck, Connecticut 06770 Phone: 203-729-2403 Fax: 203-723-7954 Web Site: www.sthedwigschool.org email: donna.ryan@sthedwigschool.org

Saint Hedwig Parish School is a Pre-Kindergarten through Grade Eight Catholic school that supports education in a welcoming, supportive, family environment for each student. Our school is small by design which gives our faculty the ability to support the needs of students in a personal way and give them the opportunity to maximize their talents, skills and academics.

Our curriculum includes all academic subjects as well as art, music, and physical education on a weekly basis, and Spanish in Grades K-8. Religion is taught on a daily basis and reinforced throughout the day with Christian values and behavior. Each day begins with Morning Meeting where we gather to pray, praise, congratulate, and support one another. Students attend Mass on First Fridays and observe the liturgical seasons and commemorate special religious events. In addition to a fine complement of religious activities and academics, Saint Hedwig Parish School offers an enriching social environment both throughout the day and through numerous Home and School activities. Parents play an important role in supporting the school with fundraisers and social events that bring together the entire Saint Hedwig School community. Each month, parents and students, as well as the staff, have events to look forward to that give the school an enriching and enjoyable climate.

We welcome all families who wish to give their child the gift of a Catholic education. Our school is open to parents who wish to visit and experience for themselves the benefits of a Saint Hedwig School education.

#### **New Britain**



Sacred Heart School Pastor: Msgr. Daniel J. Plocharczyk

Principal: Mrs. Katherine Muller 35 Orange Street New Britain, CT 06053

#### New Britain



### Pope John Paul II School

Pastor: Rev. Dariusz Gosciniak Principal: Mr. Bo Cuprack 221 Farmington Avenue, New Britain, CT 06053 Phone: 860-225-4275 Fax: 860-225-5073 Web Site: www.pjp2school.org email: principal@pjp2school.org

At Pope John Paul II Catholic School, we offer Pre-K for 3- and 4-year-olds (including a Full Day Pre-K 4 option), Full Day Kindergarten, and an average class size in all grades from Pre-K through Grade 8 of 20 or less. Before and After School Care is also available from 7:00 AM to 5:30 PM including 1/2 days.

From the moment you enter our building you know that something special is happening. You can see Christ's love in action in each of our classrooms, where highly qualified teachers are both motivating and caring. Our students are consistently called to act upon the Gospel values of love, respect, and compassion, while at the same time being challenged academically, and our parents are dedicated to ensuring that our school thrives. Our curriculum develops Catholic values alongside the attainment of knowledge and skills necessary for each student's spiritual, moral, intellectual, social and physical development. Our Faculty consists of quality, highly trained professionals, most with decades of experience and holding advanced degrees in their field. Many of our teachers have spent the largest parts of their careers teaching in Catholic Schools, dedicating their lives to providing quality, faith based education to thousands of children. Our facility has room to grow, and includes a full gymnasium with performing arts stage, two cafeterias, multi-purpose rooms, both research and reading libraries, a recently updated computer lab, and SmartBoards in many classrooms.

With small class sizes, highly trained experienced teachers, updated technology, a spiritual, family oriented environment and room to grow, Pope John Paul II Catholic School continues to be a leader in Catholic Education for the New Britain community!

#### **New Haven**



St. Aedan and St. Brendan School Pastor: Rev. Thomas E. Shepard Principal: Mr. Michael J. Votto 351 McKinley Ave., New Haven, CT 06516

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Sacred Heart is a Pre-K through eighth grade school located in New Britain and has been in existence for over one hundred years. Sponsored by Sacred Heart Parish, it is marked by a strong pride in its customs and rich history. Its tradition of academic excellence, faith and family serve as the foundation on which its dedicated teachers and administration continue to provide a loving, caring atmosphere in which to nurture each child's God-given gifts and talents. Focus is on the immutable Gospel message and seeks to be responsive to present day needs and concerns in this ever-changing world. The school's motto, "CARING & SHARING" is carried out in numerous and varied activities and programs throughout the year and helps the students broaden and expand their focus outside themselves, their homes and the local community.

In addition to the basic core subjects, a foreign language program, music, art and gym, numerous after-school clubs and activities, trips and a variety of social events at the various age levels serve to round out a curriculum that educates the whole child. Before and after school child care provides a secure, safe and enriching environment to help families. Professional development for faculty and staff is also a priority at Sacred Heart School and demonstrates the teachers' commitment to and value of Catholic education as a ministry and not just a job. Keeping up with modern technology is also an important goal of the school if each student is to be prepared to take his/her place in today's world. The acquisition of new and up-to-date equipment, the knowledge and skills to use it and the technical support to maintain it are definitely a priority at Sacred Heart School in order to accomplish these goals. Phone: 203-387-5693 Fax: 203-387-1609 Web Site: www.staedan-brendanschool.org email: mvotto@staedan-brendanschool.org

"Nurturing the Spirit, Educating the Mind"

We, at St. Aedan and St. Brendan School, use this motto as the driving force that makes our school a unique gem. We create a caring and cooperative spirit within our community as well as make our school a standout place of learning in the Westville section of New Haven where God is present in every classroom. We celebrate God's presence daily in our classrooms as well as through paraliturgical celebrations and school wide liturgies. We also have a chapel within our building which classes are able to visit daily.

Our curriculum allows students to be active and successful learners while meeting the needs of all students. Using innovative methods of teaching our faculty strives to make learning exciting. The teachers have the most up to date technology at their fingertips to help drive their teaching. This includes laptops, Smart Boards, LCD projectors and hand held palms. Our spacious campus boasts roomy classrooms as well as an updated computer lab, music and art rooms and two libraries. We invite you to visit our campus, meet our teachers, review our curriculum including our new Reading program in K-6, and Character Counts program. We are proud to have a Title I program in our school which, with differentiated instruction, allow all students to be successful learners. We strongly support parental participation as volunteers in our school as we are partners in the education of their children.

#### **New Haven**



### St. Bernadette School

Pastor: Rev. Francis T. Carter Principal: Mrs. Sherry Steines 20 Burr St., New Haven, CT 06512 Phone: 203-469-2271 Fax: 203-469-5916 Web Site: www.saintbernadette.org email: sbsoffice@sbcglobal.net

Located close to the shore in Morris Cove, New Haven, Saint Bernadette School has been an integral part of the community since 1957, welcoming children from Pre-K through grade 8. The school is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the State of Connecticut Department of Education. Through teaching and modeling, our caring and involved faculty helps each student learn moral values, social awareness and academic integrity. The school is a calm, secure and organized environment where children are eager to learn and grow spiritually, academically, and emotionally. Optimum student-to-teacher ratios enable the school to provide an intimate and attentive learning environment.

We are committed to educating each student by meeting needs through differentiated instruction and the integration of technology throughout the curriculum. Our wireless campus features interactive whiteboards in grades 1 - 8 and the science lab. The computer lab is available to all students for independent use, group instruction and research, while a wireless minilaptop lab and classroom computers provide additional access to technology. Textbooks are provided in both print and online versions beginning in grade 3. Middle school students in grades 5 – 8 move between the classrooms of faculty who specialize in specific curriculum areas. The Library Media Center houses 13,000 volumes that enhance and support curriculum and help promote a love of reading. The school community is caring and charitable as demonstrated by our involvement in ongoing community service projects. Our Extended Day program, athletics and extra-curricular activities all contribute to a vibrant environment where faculty and parents work as partners in the education of each student.

#### **New Haven**



St. Martin de Porres Academy

Founder: Mr. Jay Bowes President: Ms. Allison Rivera Principal: Ms. Kelly O'Leary 208 Columbus Avenue, New Haven, CT 06519 Phone: 203-772-2424 Fax: 203-772-2425 Web Site: www.saintmartinacademy.org email: principal@saintmartinacademy.org

#### New Haven



## St. Francis / St. Rose School

Pastor: Rev. Daniel J. McLearen, St. Francis Church Principal: Mr. Victor Vessicchio 423 Ferry Street, New Haven, CT 06513 Phone: 203-777-5352 Fax: 203-865-1271 Web Site: www.stfrancischool.org email: vvessicchio@stfrancischool.org

St. Francis/St. Rose School is an urban, multicultural school located in the Fair Haven section of New Haven. Our school is dedicated to the spiritual, educational, and social development of children in the Catholic tradition. While valuing a rigorous academic program, we recognize that our religious faith is the central unifying element in our community. Our goal is to be an educational community of students, parents, faculty, and staff which is characterized by faith, respect, self-discipline, and service. Commitment to social and civic awareness is especially important to us. Student service in the community, therefore, has an important place in our program. We are excited about our longstanding relationship with the Mary Wade Home, a nearby residential and day center for the elderly. Our middle school students visit this facility weekly with their teachers to socialize with their senior citizen friends.

A Peer Mediation program was initiated last year for our upper elementary and middle school students. Research indicates that peer mediation results in fewer disciplinary referrals. Third, fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students and faculty completed a ten - week course during which they learned strategies that promote conflict resolution. Students are making progress in solving their own problems by learning to communicate with one another.





St. Mary School

Pastor: Rev. Joseph F. Keough Principal: Mrs. Marge McDonald 652 Willard Avenue, Newington, CT 06111

St. Martin de Porres Academy is a tuition-free, private, Catholic middle school for underserved children from low-income families. We provide urban boys and girls the opportunity to choose a quality education that will allow them to live up to their full potential. At the Academy we promote more than academic excellence; we cultivate personal responsibility, social skills, and leadership that are balanced with a strong spiritual foundation and a recognition of the need to serve others.

St. Martin's has a mandatory ten hour school day. Beyond the rigorous academic program, our afternoons incorporate instrumental music practice, study hall, individual tutoring, and a diversity of co-curricular enrichment activities, performing arts, and athletics. Additionally, all students participate in an extended school year that includes field trips, academic enrichment, and community building activities.

Graduation from the Academy is just the first important step in our students' academic career. Unique to the Academy is our long-term commitment to academically, financially and personally mentor and support our students throughout their high school and college years. To neglect this ongoing formation is to only do a third of our job!

St. Martin de Porres Academy follows the very effective NativityMiguel School model established in New York City in 1971 to educate at-risk children. Since its inception, 64 NativityMiguel schools have been founded across the nation. The mission of St. Martin de Porres Academy, like all NativityMiguel schools, is to break the cycle of poverty through education.

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For more than 50 years, Saint Mary School has been a vibrant Catholic presence in Newington, providing its students with a solid foundation of Catholic values, academic excellence, and social responsibility. Our close-knit community is mindful of its rich heritage, and focused on its bright future. Each of our K-8 classrooms is equipped with Smart Board technology, and our new textbooks are fully compatible with this state-of-the-art instructional tool. Our highly qualified faculty members, many of whom hold advanced degrees in their fields, work closely with our students to help them reach their full academic potential. Our small class sizes allow for greater teacher-student interaction, and our honorsand on-level math and literature curricula are designed to meet the educational needs of every student.

In a time when many schools are cutting their extracurricular activities, Saint Mary School is proud to be expanding its offerings. In addition to basketball, soccer and cheerleading, our students have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of school clubs, from dance and chorale group, to newspaper, drama, and a new Lego club. We are proud to offer Spanish instruction and physical education as early as Pre-K, and our "specials" expand to include art and music in grades K-8. Our "TLCare" program provides before- and after-school care in a safe, nurturing environment. Saint Mary School also offers a full-day Summer Program, giving students the opportunity to combine fun enrichment activities ("traveling" to new countries and exploring various cultures) with recreational activities including swimming and professional instruction in golf, dance, drama, and tennis.

#### Simsbury



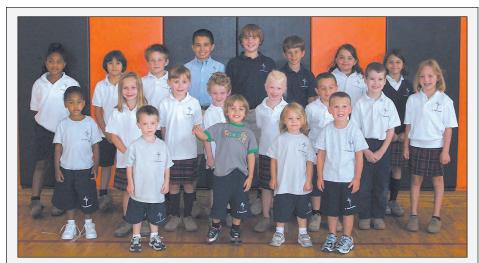
## St. Mary's School

Pastor: Rev. William R. Metzler Principal: Mrs. Marie Gannatti 946 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT 06070 Phone: 860-658-9412 Fax: 860-658-1737 Web site: www.stmarysschoolsimsbury.org email: mariegannatti@stmarysschoolsimsbury.org

St. Mary's School in Simsbury, Connecticut is the Farmington Valley's only Catholic School serving Preschool through grade 8. For more than fifty years, St. Mary's has dedicated itself to providing an educational experience grounded in faith, in search of wisdom, rooted in community and committed to stewardship. At St. Mary's, faith is more than just religion class. Faith sustains and uplifts us and points us toward God's objectives for us, regardless of the subject being taught. Wisdom is more than what we learn in our textbooks. Wisdom comes from our knowledge that God has endowed each of us with wonderful talents so we may serve Him and His people. Our commitment to community extends past the partnerships we create among faculty, administration and parents to assure student success. Community includes worship with our Parish, interaction with our town's residents, and an awareness of all God's children throughout the world. We demonstrate good stewardship of God's creation by our efforts to responsibly use, conserve, and recycle materials when possible.

St. Mary's provides a challenging academic setting that encourages active engagement in the learning process. Our students consistently perform two grades above their level on the standardized testing administered nationwide: the IOWA Test of Basic Skills. For complete test score information, please contact us. Beginning in Kindergarten, all students benefit from Foreign Language instruction in Spanish. Instructors from the Talcott Mountain Science Center bring hands-on learning to Middle School students in our new state of the art science lab. We aspire to graduate students who are spiritually alert, morally aware and ethically empowered young adults.

#### Southington



#### **St. Thomas School** Pastor: Rev. Nicholas P. Melo Principal: Mrs. MaryPat Wirkus

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#### Southington



## St. Dominic School

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Saint Dominic School serves children in Pre-K through 5th grade. Our campus style school, located in a pastoral setting, allows students to experience nature first-hand and apply that knowledge within the classroom setting. Saint Dominic School students experience a nurturing, safe, disciplined, academic environment that focuses on quality Catholic education.

Our dedicated faculty provides our students with a curriculum that is faithbased, academically rigorous and encompasses both innovative and traditional methodology, so as to prepare our students to become responsible leaders and role models within the church, family and the community. Outreach programs help our students more fully understand and practice the tenets of their faith.

Saint Dominic School offers both full day Pre-K and Kindergarten programs. Before care and aftercare programs are offered on-site and staffed by our teachers. Basketball, soccer, bowling, chorus, Student Council and drama, provide our students with activities to further develop their mind, body and spirit.

Our classrooms are equipped with Smart Boards and we recently opened a Netbook lab. These technology tools provide our teachers with the ability to integrate technology across all areas of the curriculum. Beginning in Pre-K, all students are instructed in art, music, Spanish, physical education, technology, and library science. At Saint Dominic School, students are educated in a caring environment rich in Catholic tradition and academic excellence. We educate our students today for a brighter tomorrow.

### Torrington



St. Peter / St. Francis School Pastor: Rev. Christopher M. Tiano Principal: Mrs. Jo-Anne Gauger 360 Prospect Street, Torrington, CT 06790

In today's challenging times, we need to give our children every possible advantage to ensure their success in this world. St. Thomas School offers students a firm foundation built upon academic excellence, strong Christian values, and a nurturing, supportive environment.

Mutual respect, self discipline and responsibility are developed through close teacher-student relationships. Our dedicated faculty provides the personal attention needed to foster the enthusiasm of the students in their studies.

The faculty and students that make up St. Thomas School are proud to be known as a "family". By fostering academic achievement, a healthy lifestyle, and an emphasis on values, St. Thomas School reinforces what you teach your child at home. St. Thomas is dedicated to developing the "total" child spiritually, academically, socially, physically, and emotionally. We strive to reinforce self-worth and dignity of every student as a member of God's family. St. Thomas School teaches the basic precepts of the church, and communicates the gospel message of love and service. Enrollment is open to all races, creeds, and nationalities. Through prayer, example, community involvement and the sacraments, each student is guided toward a personal relationship with Christ, recognizing Him as the center of our school community. Web Site: www.spsfschool.org e-mail: principal@spsfschool.org

St. Peter/St. Francis School is proud to be one of the nation's 5,889 Catholic Elementary Schools. As a member of this educational alliance, we build lifelong learners who become strong independent thinkers, entrepreneurs, and community leaders. Catholic education is deeply embedded in our community's heritage and is a shared blessing among our ethnic cultures. Our Catholic school lineage has overcome challenges and changes. Yet, we still stand strong and united by a common goal... to provide Catholic education to the children in our community. We accept all who embrace the opportunity to learn in a faith-filled educational system.

Our school's curriculum adheres to national standards integrating core academic subjects and technology in the classroom. We nurture and encourage our students by helping them to develop the skills necessary to express themselves, by learning a foreign language, teaching handwriting, and using a fluid and adaptable approach to individualized learning. We are dedicated to developing unique enrichment programs to enhance students' experiences and to gain further understanding of subject matter. Guided by our pastor, principal, and a dedicated faculty, we also provide students with the opportunity to further develop their understanding of moral and social values as demonstrated by the children's commitment to social outreach programs. Students gain purposeful and meaningful life lessons by partaking in such involvements. They are also provided situations to attain skills, refine abilities, develop sensitivities, strengthen concentration, and solve problems. In addition, self-esteem is built and a higher level of thinking is achieved. Our students and their families are what make our school special, making us a vital member of the national Catholic school family.

#### Wallingford



## Holy Trinity School

Pastor: Rev. Gary F. Simeone Principal: Sr. Kathleen Kelly, R.S.M. 11 North Whittlesey Avenue, Wallingford, CT 06492 Phone: 203-269-4476 Fax: 203-294-4983 Web Site: www.hts-wallingford.org email: holy.trinity.school@snet.net

Holy Trinity School has been educating students in the Wallingford Community since 1913. The school has been continuously staffed by the Sisters of Mercy and dedicated lay teachers. Holy Trinity School exists to communicate Gospel values, to provide a quality academic program and develop a faith community which encourages respect for self, others, and the global community. Teachers are committed to cultivate these talents in a Christian environment and to provide the students with experience in academic achievement, spiritual formation, and social awareness so that the students will be prepared to assume a leadership role in society. The mission of Holy Trinity School reflects the commitment to promote Christian values as expressed in the tradition and teaching of the Catholic Church.

The school is accredited by New England Schools and Colleges and offers a full-day kindergarten through grade eight program. Holy Trinity School challenges students to excel by expanding knowledge, developing skills, and instilling work habits. A learning environment is created where high value is placed on respect, self-discipline, and good behavior. Students are provided opportunities to share their unique gifts with the community. Central to the mission of the school is the opportunity to grow in the understanding and practice of Gospel values. Students participate in various activities to develop qualities of leadership, teamwork and service. Holy Trinity School provides educational experience in the fine and performing arts. Team sports offer students the opportunity to develop good sportsmanship and a healthy lifestyle. The school day begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 2:10 p.m. Free bus transportation is provided for Wallingford residents.

#### Waterbury



Our Lady of Mount Carmel School Pastor: Rev. Frederick M. Aniello

Principal: Mr. Joaquim Tavares Jr. 645 Congress Avenue

### Waterbury



## Blessed Sacrament Catholic Day School

Pastor: Rev. Michael F.X. Hinkley Temporary Administrator: Rev. Michael A. Carlson Principal: Mrs. Eileen M. Omundsen 386 Robinwood Road, Waterbury, CT 06708 Phone/Fax: 203-756-5313 Web Site: www.bsswaterbury.org email: blscschool@comcast.net

At Blessed Sacrament Catholic Day School, we are proud to stand on a tradition of faith and excellence as we move forward to expand the skills, the thinking, and the commitment to Catholic principles necessary for lasting success in a changing world. We pledge to serve God, to help one another and to become the best we can be every day! In our child-centered family, the efforts of faculty, staff, students, parents, grandparents and friends seamlessly combine to assist all students in achieving their God-given potential.

Our rigorous, standards-based curriculum extends beyond the basics to include religion, Latin, Spanish, pre-algebra, algebra, art, music and physical education, and we use the most up-to-date technology and best educational practices to implement it. SMART Boards have been installed in every classroom, and portable laptops with wireless internet access are available for daily use. Moreover, our "kinder, gentler" environment offers a safe haven for youngsters from 7:00 AM until 5:30 PM each day. Peer tutoring, structured play and homework help are all part of our thriving before and after school programs. Additionally, our extracurricular activities offer a full range of academic, athletic, artistic, dramatic and musical experiences. A better day at school ensures that our students perform brilliantly in the classroom and in life! Armed with self-discipline, a love for learning, faith and concern for others, Blessed Sacrament students are well poised to become the leaders of their generation and the hope for a brighter future!

### Waterbury



## St. Francis Xavier School

Pastor: Rev. Paul J. Pace Principal: Ms. Pamela Belury 605 Baldwin St., Waterbury, CT 06705

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Our Lady of Mount Carmel School has made great strides in the last few years. All of our hard work can be attributed to the collaboration of Church and the spiritual and educational leadership of our Pastor, Father Frederick Aniello. We also thank our faculty-staff, parents, and students. We are pleased and blessed that God has led you to consider Our Lady of Mount Carmel School and we are privileged to assist you as your children begin their educational and spiritual journey. We serve your educational and spiritual needs from day-care to eighth grade. While other schools' enrollments are stagnant or down, ours has been increasing every year. Our Iowa test results are off the charts. Our students excel not only in the classroom, but also in our gymnasiums and ball fields. Our Lady of Mount Carmel produces a well rounded student. Our students earn full scholarships to many High Schools in the Waterbury area. The cornerstone of our school continues to be the relationship between Parents, Pastor, Principal and Teachers. We encourage and invite parents to participate and volunteer in our school community. Working together enhances the caring school environment that makes our school so special. We at Our Lady of Mount Carmel are not just preparing your son or daughter for High School, but life itself.

Once again, thank-you for prayerfully considering Our Lady of Mount Carmel as the educational and spiritual training option for your children. We are excited about the days and years ahead as your family potentially unites with our family and grows together. It really is a place to build memories.

#### Web Site: sfxwtby.com email: sfxwtby@yahoo.com

St. Francis Xavier School is a small K-8 urban based facility that has a diverse population of students. We pride ourselves in our Catholic identity and the ability to teach to all style learners. We pride ourselves in having all staff with degrees in education and more than half with advanced degrees.

Our approach is student centric and we value the students being aware of their own data and spend time setting reachable goals for each quarter. Our children are taught in small groups to optimize our ability to differentiate curriculum to the individual not the group. Our students focus on working in cooperative groups and are assessed in many different ways so that they are successful.

We take special care in evaluating our students so that we do not miss strengths and weaknesses that may need to be addressed to enhance the student's experience. We write education action plans for those students who may need additional support or more advanced programs of study. Our parents are involved in many different ways and enjoy the family like atmosphere that we have to offer.

We also pride ourselves on having few disruptions in class and extremely low discipline issues. We celebrate the children daily and at monthly award ceremonies that our students are motivated to do well all the time. Our class sizes are small and for the K-5 students we have a multi-age design. This enhances the success rate that we have in our lower grade levels.

Come see the magic at St. Francis Xavier School.

#### Waterbury



St. Mary School

Pastor: Rev. John J. Bevins Principal: Mr. Joseph M. Kenny 43 Cole Street, Waterbury, CT 06706 Phone: 203-753-2574 Fax: 203-596-2498 Web Site: www.smswaterbury.org email: STMARYS.SCHOOL@comcast.net

Saint Mary School is a parochial school committed to providing a quality Catholic education to children of various religious, ethnic, and economic backgrounds in a safe and nurturing environment, Pre-K through grade eight. Saint Mary School accepts students of all races and all religions. We give preference in our admission policy to:

Catholic students who are Basilica of the Immaculate Conception parishioners; Catholic students living in a parish without a Catholic school; Non-Catholic students.

Saint Mary School offers tuition assistance for needy families, in part through the generosity of Archbishop Mansell and the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Saint Mary School is the only Catholic school in Waterbury to offer city-wide busing for its students. First Friday Mass occurs each month at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. Students are bused back and forth to the Basilica. We have an agreement with Sacred Heart High School Gym to use their gym for our athletic classes. Students are bused back and forth to the school. We have different food vendors in the city that provide hot lunches five days a week for those who want them. The children can also bring their own lunch. Saint Mary School recognizes that every student needs attention, acceptance, approval, and a sense of achievement, so it seeks to establish a school climate where that is possible. The climate is non-threatening; bullying is prohibited. Saint Mary School generates a sense of joy in learning; it helps students and staff to enjoy more effective relationships. The focus of the school is upon facilitation of learning, the enhancement of a student's self-concept, and the forming of a Faith Community.

#### Watertown



## St. John the Evangelist School

Pastor: Rev. John M. Cooney Principal: Mr. John J. Petto 760 Main Street, Watertown, CT 06795

#### Waterbury



### SS. Peter and Paul School

Pastor: Msgr. James G. Coleman Principal: Mrs. Janet Curry 116 Beecher Ave., Waterbury, CT. 06705 Phone: 203-755-0881 Fax: 203-755-3535 Web Site: www.ssppwtby.com email: jancurry@comcast.net

Faith-filled, student-centered, excellent academics, family orientated, and fun loving could all be descriptions when referring to SS. Peter and Paul School in Waterbury. Technology, manipulative's, and hands-on activities are interwoven throughout the classroom curriculum. SS. Peter and Paul School challenges students to be tomorrow's leaders. Our school's intensive curriculum and extra-curricular activities not only encourage students to learn, but to grow as well. In response to a fast-paced and internationally changing world, Spanish is interwoven through lessons in all grades, Kindergarten through eight. A unique science program encompasses active hands-on participation for all grades, and an intensive advanced math program for grades seven and eight prepares students for high school and beyond.

Teachers coordinate unique projects and themes into the subject areas making an exciting change from the day-to-day routine. Our dedicated parents and staff sacrifice personal time in order to meet the needs of our students. Several after-school activities enrich our students through acquiring talents such as quilting and cooking, academic support such as peer tutoring and computer club, and life skills such as scouting and student council. The focus of our school is on the child. We support and encourage them while holding them accountable. SS. Peter and Paul School is more than a school-it is a welcoming environment, embracing families from all denominations who would like to see their children experience and benefit from a strong ethical and academic foundation.

### Watertown (Oakville)



## St. Mary Magdalen School

Pastor: Rev. James T. Gregory Principal: Mr. Thomas Maynard 140 Buckingham Street, Oakville, CT 06779

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St. John the Evangelist School is Pre-Kindergarten though Grade Eight Catholic elementary school with an average enrollment of 195 students. Founded in 1907 and staffed by the School Sisters of Notre Dame, the school continues to serve the greater Watertown community. The School maintains a spiritual atmosphere conducive to learning and academic excellence enabling our students to become moral and responsible citizens.

Beyond the classroom, St. John the Evangelist School offers a full athletic program, including a cross country team, boys and girls basketball, boys baseball and girls softball teams. Students may also participate in the ever popular knitting club, Math club, Music club and school newspaper. Located in a suburban setting, St. John the Evangelist provides a safe and secure area where learning can take place.

Our classes are small by design and foster critical thinking skills. As a high school preparatory school, our students apply and are accepted to the many area independent schools as well as the private Catholic and Diocesan high schools. We are excited about all that we have to offer both spiritually and academically. As we embrace the 2010-2011 school year, we continue to combine a strong legacy, tradition and heritage with an emphasis on teaching and learning enhanced by the latest technology. We proudly begin our 104th year of operation.

#### Phone: 860-945-0621 Fax: 860-945-6162 Web Site: www.smmsoakville.org email: smmsschool@yahoo.com

SMMS is a family oriented, Pre-K- 8 Catholic school of 271 students situated on 5.2 acres. We are a Catholic community - welcoming and involved, fully accredited by NEASC, with a standards-based curriculum approved by the Office of Catholic Schools. Offerings include a comprehensive Pre-Kindergarten (The School of Little Scholars), an expanded full-day Kindergarten, and a Before & After School Program. Average class size is 27. SMMS has been recognized by the Archdiocese as a leader in the integration of computer technology into curriculum design, development, and application. Through traditional and innovative teaching, we provide students with necessary skills to live and serve in an ever-changing society. Clubs and sports include chorus, student council, boy's and girl's baseball, basketball, cross country, cheerleading, and dance.

Our Mission: SMMS shares in the aim and purpose of Catholic School Education by concentrating on the total development of each student Pre-K through 8. We value the human life Jesus affirmed; thus we stress Community, Respect, and Self-Discipline. We encourage the "best" in one another – to be all that God intended us to be and to help discover and develop each individual's God – given talents.

#### Important Stats

98 % of SMMS graduates go on to Catholic, or private high schools
90 % of our graduates make honor roll status at the two Catholic high schools
98 % of SMMS graduates in the two Catholic high schools go on to college
SMMS has had 2 high school valedictorians and 1 salutatorian

#### West Hartford/Elmwood



## St. Brigid School

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Spirit, loyalty, hard work, and spectacular achievement in Academics, Arts, Athletics and Activities distinguish St. Brigid School, West Hartford! In school year 2009-2010, the SBS Junior Varsity Boys Basketball team fought their way to a State Championship and the Final Four of New England. The Varsity Soccer team, likewise, had a fabulous season winning the Championship Invitational Title in Manchester. Academics also shine brightly at SBS with every grade level far exceeding expectations, as demonstrated by the results of the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills, spring 2010. Visual arts, choral and instrumental music provide excellent opportunities for self-expression, self-discipline and talent development. Art Club, Science Fair, Newspaper Club and Martial Arts Club provide additional productive pathways for talent development and superior achievement for our students.

Not content to rest on our past successes, St. Brigid School is racing toward the future with a focus on GREEN initiatives throughout our school, from uniforms to recycling. The Student Council has committed its work to school beautification through the creation of a daylily garden. Each year more daylilies will be added and nurtured. The future also demands global education in an ever-changing world. Thanks to Dr. O'Brien's trip to China in June 2010, sponsored by the Chinese Ministry of Education and The College Board, St. Brigid School will be forming a "Sister School" partnership with a school in Tianjin, China. Students will be able to communicate with each other via modern technologies and learn much about the customs, culture and language of their new friends half the world away. A new focus on Asian Studies will be developed in coming years. Stay tuned to all the excitement at St. Brigid School!

#### West Hartford



## St. Timothy Middle School

Pastor: Rev. Henry P. Cody Principal: Dr. Stephen J. Balkun 225 King Philip Drive, West Hartford, CT 06117 Phone: 860-226-0614 538: 860-020-0203

### West Hartford



### St. Thomas the Apostle School

Pastor: Rev. Arthur J. Murphy Principal: Mrs. Colleen Whitty DiSanto 25 Dover Road, West Hartford, CT 06119 Phone: (860) 236-6257 Fax: (860) 236-8865 Web Site: www.stthomasapostlewh.org email: development@stthomasaposltewh.org

The guiding invitation at St. Thomas the Apostle School is "come and discover the difference." This "difference" is encompassed in our attention to and care for the whole child, our commitment to education in the Roman Catholic tradition, and our encouragement and celebration of the unique talents and interests of each individual.

Our educational program, for grades Pre-K 3 through 5th grade, is dedicated to the development of the whole child. It recognizes the academic, social/emotional, physical and spiritual needs of our students and actively addresses all aspects of our students' development. While our school is a community of many faiths, St. Thomas the Apostle School is committed to educating children in the Roman Catholic tradition. The gospel values of our Lord, Jesus Christ, are at the root of all we do.

We are a diverse school community; our students come from many faiths, socioeconomic levels and cultures. We believe this diversity is strength and we celebrate it actively. We encourage each student to discover their unique talents and gifts and to use them in service to the community

Recognizing that parents are the primary educators of their children, we invite parents and students to be a part of our school community. Our families are encouraged to share their talents with the student community and to "make a difference" at the school, through service hours and other volunteer activities.

#### West Haven



### Our Lady of Victory School Pastor: Rev. Joseph R. Cronin

Pastor: Rev. Joseph R. Cronin Principal: Mrs. Ardell Bartolotta 620 Jones Hill Road, West Haven, CT 06516 Phone: 202-022-6457

#### Web Site: www.stmswh.org email: info@stmswh.org

Saint Timothy Middle School is committed to fostering the educational and spiritual development of early adolescents. We educate the whole child in the Roman Catholic tradition through a challenging curriculum that fosters academic excellence. Our school philosophy is built on a foundation of respect within our community. This respect is evident in the relationships between teachers, staff and students. Acknowledging that parents are the first educators of the child we strive to support families who want the Christian values that they instill at home to be fortified at school.

Saint Timothy Middle School is the only Catholic Middle School, grades 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>, in the Greater Hartford area. We pride ourselves on the small, safe, happy atmosphere we can provide our students here at STMS. Students are able to enjoy a variety of clubs such as drama, photography, and wood carving. We also provide several extra-curricular activities such as seasonal dances, games night, bingo nights and our class trips to the Maritime Museum, Boston and NYC. We have an extensive athletics department which includes cross-country, soccer, basketball, baseball and softball as well as intramurals. Our music department includes choir, band, strings ensemble and drumming. Choosing a middle school is a very important decision in the life of an adolescent. We feel Saint Timothy Middle School is a wonderful option for those families who seek an education encompassing the mind, body and soul.

#### Web Site: www.olov.org email: abartolotta@olov.org

Our Lady of Victory School (OLOV) in West Haven services Pre-K through Grade 8. The school has very high expectations for every student, and it accommodates the needs of each student with differentiation of instruction. Our graduating students are accepted at all schools to which they apply.

The school is committed to Catholic Social Teaching and performs many services for the school, parish, local and global communities. One goal is for students to become responsible, global citizens with respect for the dignity of each person as a child of God. The school celebrates its diversity with enrichment activities such as Native American Dancers, a play and prayer service to commemorate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and an event for students to share foods from different cultures. The feeling of responsibility for the community begins in Pre-K and Kindergarten with a trike-a-thon to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Hospital and continues through the grades with a food collection for the animal shelter, UNICEF, and a collection for the local homeless shelter. The National Junior Honor Society and the OLOV Student Government under the direction of faculty advisors guide the organizations in special projects that involve the entire student population. This includes sponsorship of a child in Guatemala and student community farming project that provides fresh produce to the OLOV Food Pantry. At Christmas, the Honor Society provides food and gifts for families at risk. The students, along with their advisor, raise their own money by participating in the spring and Christmas Fairs, and the Summer Carnival. OLOV school considers educating the heart as important as educating the mind.

#### West Haven



### St. Lawrence School

Pastor: Rev. Mark R. Jette Principal: Mr. Paul R. DeFonzo 231 Main Street, West Haven, CT 06516 Phone: 203-933-2518 Fax: 203-933-2058 Web Site: www.stl-school.org email: prdefonzo@sbcglobal.net

As a loving community with a responsibility to our students and their families, the faculty and staff of Saint Lawrence School are committed to promoting academic excellence integrated with a vision of lifelong learning centered in the person and gospel of Jesus Christ. In our 93-year history many successful young men and women have passed through our doors. The learning environment in Pre-K through eighth grade is one of high standards that offers our students a rigorous academic curriculum that fosters the moral, intellectual, spiritual, social, and personal development of each and every child. St. Lawrence School was recently reaccredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges in 2007.

The curriculum is enhanced with the Rowland Reading Foundation Superkids reading program in grades Pre-K through second, a science lab, Spanish classes in all grades, Algebra and Pre Algebra classes in the junior high, two computer labs, a science partnership with the University of New Haven for 8th grade students, six classrooms with Smart Boards, computers in every classroom, the Turning Point Response System, and other innovative technology. An after school program is offered for families in need of child care. A full sports program offers our students competitive skills and sportsmanship in soccer, basketball, cheerleading, baseball and softball. Our Student Council has representatives from all grades and undertakes numerous worthwhile fundraising and community service projects each year. Instrumental music is offered in the upper grades, and there are two choral/instrumental concerts each year. We have an active School Board, Home & School Association, alumni base, and numerous volunteer committees. Together, our staff and families work cohesively for the benefit and well-being of every child.

#### Windsor



## St. Gabriel School

Pastor: Rev. Richard J. Neumann Principal: Mrs. Patricia G. Martin 77 Bloomfield Avenue, Windsor, CT 06095 Phone: 860-688-6401 Eav: 860-308-8668

#### Wethersfield



### Corpus Christi School

Pastor: Rev. Thomas B. Campion Principal: Mrs. Eileen Sampiere 581 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT 06109 Phone: 860-529-5487 Fax: 860-257-9106 Web Site: www.corpuschristischoolct.com email: corpuschristisch@yahoo.com

Corpus Christi School, a Catholic school in Wethersfield, Connecticut, benefits from strong administrative leadership, dedicated faculty, and engaged parents. By educating and nurturing talented children, Corpus Christi School is committed to the education of children from Pre-Kindergarten through eighth grades with an enrollment of 421 students.

On average, students annually score in the top 10% nationwide on standardized tests, with upwards of eighty students in grades five through eight qualifying to participate in the prestigious Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth Program (CTY). The school offers Spanish in grades Kindergarten through eight and advanced mathematics with the opportunity to complete Algebra I. Corpus Christi School has wireless technology, an LCD projector in each classroom, IBoards, a dedicated computer laboratory, and a mobile laptop laboratory. Performing arts, leadership development, co-curricular, and athletic programs are equally robust. In addition to regularly scheduled art and music classes and a drama club, more than seventy-five students participate in cadet, intermediate, advanced, and jazz band. At the heart of this special school are the core values of a faith-based education. Students have the opportunity to live what they learn every day. The integration of Christian values and academics is seamless and especially evident in the enthusiasm with which students engage in service projects for those in need.

#### Winsted



#### St. Anthony School Pastor: Rev. Dennis Arambasick, OFM Principal: Mrs. Patricia Devanney

#### Web Site: www.stgabrielschool.org email: pmartin@stgabrielschool.org

Saint Gabriel School is a K-8 Catholic School accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Our diverse community is comprised of students of varying cultural and religious backgrounds. As a reflection of our Christian faith, students feel safe, respected and have a sense of belonging to the community. Strong moral values are taught, modeled, and positively reinforced. The academic program is set at a high standard which challenges the students to reach their full potential. In addition to a strong core curriculum with integrated faith values, other subjects offered include Spanish beginning in Grade 1, vocal and instrumental music programs, CT Army National Guard's antidrug program "Stay on Track" for Middle School students, and a state of the art technology program. Through our technology partnership with the University of Richmond, technology is integrated into the core curriculum so all students gain a working knowledge of computer operations and a vocabulary of computer related terminology through projects directly developed within the curriculum.

Saint Gabriel School's standardized test scores are exceptional and graduates gain acceptance to the high schools of their choice. Once a year special activities like the Science Fair, Culture Night, and the Oration Contest showcase students' interests and knowledge. Also, the school offers a number of extracurricular clubs and activities including Art Club, Book Club, Newspaper Club, Photography Club, Homework Club, Student Government, community service projects, Mad Science, Middle School dances as well as the team sports of basketball and soccer. A low cost before and after school program is provided for families in need of child care.

#### Web Site: www.sas-winsted.org email: advancement@sas-winsted.org

55 Oak Street, Winsted, CT 06098

St. Anthony School, a growing community of faith-filled people, has been dedicated to providing a Catholic education to the children in the northwest corner of Connecticut for over 140 years. St. Anthony School provides a strong academic program for students in Pre-K–8 and strives to instill religious, social, and intellectual principles into the mind and heart of each child. In the spirit of St. Francis, St. Anthony School guides students toward their development as faith-filled Catholics and responsible citizens in our complex, ever-changing society.

Saint Anthony School is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Founded in 1865 under the Franciscan order, St. Anthony School is the longest continuously operating school in the Archdiocese, graduating thousands of students who have gone on to complete their academic careers with distinction. We are a community of faith-filled people dedicated to providing a Catholic education to the children of St. Joseph Parish and neighboring communities.

Co-curriculars include girls' and boys' basketball, cross country, drama, student service council and enrichment. Other programs may be added depending on student interest and availability of coaching.

We welcome children and families of all faiths and ethnicities. A diverse student population strengthens our community and teaches our students understanding and compassion.

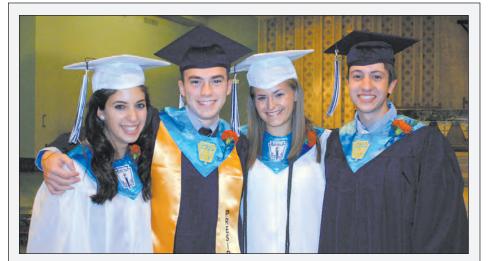
In the spirit of St. Francis, St. Anthony School staff offers an environment where "students enter to learn and leave to serve."

#### Annual Report

#### **Bristol**

#### ARCHDIOCESAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS

Manchester



## St. Paul Catholic High School

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St. Paul Catholic High School's theme, "Welcome Home," resonates throughout the campus and in the minds and souls of the students, parents, alumni, faculty, and staff whose mission is to create the best Catholic educational experience for all who join our family.

St. Paul Catholic High School, a coeducational secondary school of the Archdiocese of Hartford, serves students in the greater Bristol area in Grades 9 through 12 by providing a strong college preparatory curriculum in an academic and social environment based on Christian values. St. Paul establishes high expectations for all students in the Catholic tradition of discipline, responsibility, and achievement. The environment of St. Paul motivates students to be respectful of themselves, of others, and of the learning process. Students of diverse religious, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds develop leadership skills through knowledge, commitment, and service to others.

St. Paul students in the past and present have achieved many accomplishments. The school has been home to many national honor society members; scholar-athletes, all-league, all-state, and all-American recipients; Hall of Fame honorees, youth of the year selections, "Spirit of Broadway" awardees, scholastic art winners, and state champions, just to name a few. With its excellent staff and faculty, students have consistently sought and achieved a high level of excellence in the classroom, on the athletic fields and on stage. With their strong religious commitment and community service projects, students at St. Paul Catholic High School are thoughtful, well-rounded, and positive role models whose dedication to their "home" at St. Paul lasts a lifetime.

### East Catholic High School

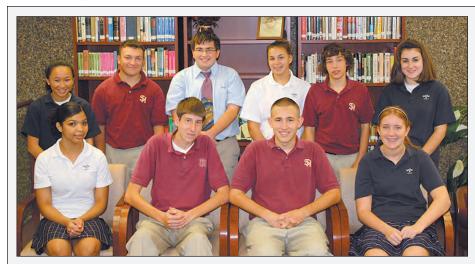
Principal: Dr. Karen M. Juliano, Interim Principal 115 New State Road, Manchester, CT 06042 Phone: 860-649-5336 Fax: 860-649-7191 Web Site: www.echs.com email: Julianok@echs.com

East Catholic High School is the school of choice for more than 680 boys and girls in Greater Hartford and 44 surrounding towns. East is known for its halfcentury tradition of academic excellence within a safe, nurturing environment. The school provides a rich curriculum for students at all levels of achievement, with honors and Advanced Placement courses offered across the curriculum. East has 33 extracurricular clubs and activities and 46 athletic teams, from the freshman to varsity level. More than 80 percent of East students participate in athletics, 60 percent participate in clubs and activities, and 45 percent are active in fine arts, music, and drama productions. Nearly all graduates continue on to college; at least 90 percent attend a four-year college or university. Graduates in the Class of 2010 were offered more than \$7.6 million in college scholarships and grants.

Through East's comprehensive service learning program, students take part in service that is grounded in the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Projects include working with special needs students at the Gengras Center and at MARC, tutoring at Hartford-area elementary schools, and cooking and serving meals at area shelters. Many seniors cite their service, in particular preparing a meal and dining with shelter clients, as the single factor that deepened their faith most during their time at East.

What else do graduates say about their experience at East? "We are family," "our teachers go the extra mile to help us succeed," "our classes prepare us well for college and beyond," "we've made friends for a lifetime."

#### Waterbury



### Sacred Heart High School

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#### West Hartford



### Northwest Catholic High School Principal/Chief Administrator: Mrs. Margaret R. Williamson 29 Wampanoag Drive, West Hartford, CT 06117

Phone: 860-236-4221 Fax: 860-586-0911

In the heart of Waterbury, there is a Catholic faith high school, whose student body mirrors the community's rich cultural uniqueness and whose roots run nearly as deep. Sacred Heart High School, was established in 1922 with a mission to empower students to reach their fullest potential in Academic Excellence, Spiritual Development, and Social Dynamics. Every aspect of life at Sacred Heart - academics, athletics, extra-curricular activities, and community service programs - is informed and enriched by a strong sense of faith and a focus on helping those in need. Sacred Heart is a very special family, where teachers, administrators and alumni provide invaluable support. Ninety-eight percent of Sacred Heart graduates go on to attend the area's finest colleges and universities. A Sacred Heart education is not merely the result of an outstanding curriculum, but that of a dynamic nurturing learning environment that emphasizes Catholic values and promotes individual growth and success.

Advanced Placement, honors and college prep courses with rigorous standards and rewarding challenges help pave the way for students' success in college and beyond. As a Catholic high school, Sacred Heart encourages students to go forth into neighboring communities and undertake charitable work. Sacred Heart students answer the call with tremendous enthusiasm, applying their talents with a keen sense of perspective and purpose. Students and faculty work hand in hand for many local organizations. At Sacred Heart High School, Life Lessons Inspire Leadership.

#### Web Site: www.northwestcatholic.org email: mwilliamson@nwcath.org

Northwest Catholic - the school "where you know that you belong" - has been educating thousands of young people in the Greater Hartford region for nearly 50 years. We have about 625 students in grades 9-12 who come from 40 different towns and from a variety of ethnic and faith backgrounds. About 79% of our students are Roman Catholic, and about 23% are students of color. We believe our diversity is one of the most important components of our rich educational experience.

Our mission is to educate the mind and develop faith-filled young adults, and we accomplish this through rigorous academics and an inclusive atmosphere of prayer and service. Our college-prep curriculum features 15 Advanced Placement courses and a wide array of honors-level classes. In the Class of '10, 99% of the students are college-bound, headed to some of the most prestigious schools in the country.

We believe that high school is the time for students to discover and nurture the God-given gifts that make each person unique. Therefore, students are encouraged to participate fully in the life of the school through myriad extracurricular activities, including 44 sports teams, multiple choirs and bands, a range of on- and off-site community service opportunities, and a wide variety of fine and performing arts offerings. In the 2009-10 school year, as in every year, our students brought pride to themselves, their families, and our school with their achievements in artistic, athletic, and altruistic endeavors.

But the real hallmark of Northwest Catholic High School – and this has been the case since its inception in 1961 -- is its strong sense of community. Students, alumni, and faculty all say that at its heart, Northwest Catholic is really more like a family than a school.

#### Hamden

### **PRIVATE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS**

Milford



### Sacred Heart Academy

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Sacred Heart Academy, an independent Catholic college preparatory school founded in 1946 by the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, successfully prepares young women in grades 9 – 12 for learning, service and achievement in a global society. Over 500 students, hailing from five different counties in Connecticut, attend the school that sits on the second highest hilltop in Hamden on a distinctive 127 acre campus. The Academy's motto Excelsior - "ever higher" - challenges each student to strive for excellence in every facet of school life. Students find strength in this all-girl Catholic environment where they learn to lead as they discover their academic strengths.

Each year, 100% of graduates go on to four-year colleges and consistently score above state and national norms on the SAT. A student/faculty ratio of 9 to 1 and a dedicated and inspiring faculty, 80% of whom hold one or more masters or doctoral degrees, ensures academic strength. Innovative technology with a hallmark student laptop program is used across the curriculum. The Academy has been recognized by Intel Corporation as one of the top three High Schools of Distinction in Science in the country and is the only high school in the country to have 13 DNA student published sequences in GenBank, the US Government's genetic database. Beyond our strong academic preparation for college, our students recognize the importance of values through a vital moral formation. They accept the challenge offered to them and respect the goodness and difference in others. Our graduates are articulate communicators and critical thinkers in their role as productive citizens committed to service. Sacred Heart graduates emerge dedicated to lifelong learning and to sharing the values learned in communities throughout the world.



## Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall

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The oldest Catholic independent college-preparatory high school for young women in Connecticut and among the first to be established in the U.S., Lauralton Hall offers a rigorous academic experience in a supportive and nurturing environment. One hundred percent of Lauralton students graduate and go on to pursue a baccalaureate degree, many at top tier universities. An indication of the preparation of our graduates, the graduating Class of 2010 were awarded with more than \$8 million in merit aid from institutions of higher education. State of the art science labs and new classroom technologies prepare students with 21st century skills. An innovative curriculum allows students to partner with classrooms in other countries or collaborate on a project such as improving our global environment. Students participate in college courses, earning college credit through partner-ships with institutions of higher education such as the University of Connecticut.

Students benefit from personalized attention and support by highly trained faculty, many of whom are doctorally prepared. Continuing the tradition of individualized attention, Lauralton's Center for College Counseling and Guidance provides one-on-one counseling with each student and her family throughout their four years. Lauralton Hall embarks on its second century with a vision as the premier Catholic college preparatory day school empowering young women for life and exemplifying the core values of a Mercy education:

Academic excellence Spiritual growth Compassion and service Collaboration Women's issues Global responsibility

### **New Milford**



Canterbury School

Headmaster: Mr. Thomas J. Sheehy III Chaplain: Rev. Sebastian Leonard O.S.B. 101 Aspetuck Avenue, New Milford, CT 06776

### High School Highlights – College Selections

The CATHOLIC colleges and universities selected by the Class of 2010 include:

Albertus Magnus College Assumption College **Boston College** Cabrini College Canisius College College of Saint Rose College of the Holy Cross Creighton University DeSales University Elmira College Elms College Emmanuel College Fairfield University Fordham University Franciscan University of Steubenville Georgetown University nzaga University Immaculata University Iona College John Carroll University King's College LaSalle University Loyola Marymount University Loyola University Loyola University Chicago Manhattan College Manhattanville College Marist College Marquette University Mercyhurst College Merrimack College Mount Holyoke College Mount Saint Mary College Mount St. Mary's University Providence College Queens Campus **Regis College** Sacred Heart University Saint Anselm College Saint Joseph College Saint Joseph's University Saint Louis University Saint Michael's College

Salve Regina University Santa Clara University Seton Hall University

Siena College St. Bonaventure University St. Edwards University St. John Fisher College St. John's University St. Lawrence University Stevenson University Stonehill College The Catholic University of America The College of St. Rose Thomas Aquinas College **Trinity College** University of Dayton University of Notre Dame

Dame University of Scranton University of St. Thomas **Connecticut College** Eastern Connecticut State University **Emory University** Endicott College Fairfield University Fordham University **High Point University** Hobart and William Smith Colleges Hofstra University Keene State College Loyola University Maryland Manchester Community College Marist College Mount Ida College Mount Saint Mary College Naugatuck Valley Community College New York University Northeastern University Pace University Post University Providence College Quinnipiac University Roger Williams University Sacred Heart University Saint Joseph College Salve Regina University Southern Connecticut State University Springfield College St. Edward's University Stonehill College **Temple University** The Catholic University of America Tunxis Community College U.S. Military Academy Union College University of Connecticut University of Hartford University of New Haven University of Rhode Island Western Connecticut State University Western New England College

#### Phone: 860-210-3800 Fax: 860-350-4425 Web Site: www.cbury.org email: admissions@cbury.org

Founded in 1915 and still guided by lay Roman Catholics, Canterbury is a college preparatory, coeducational boarding and day school for students in grades nine through twelve. Canterbury's 358 students come from 18 states and 14 countries – 230 are boarding students and 128 are day students. With its rigorous and humane approach to students, both in and out of the classroom, Canterbury's program inculcates vital intellectual and ethical habits of mind. The School sees all students as individuals, encourages them as necessary, challenges them as appropriate, and inspires them to become moral leaders in a complex, secular world. The school prides itself on creating a community based on its Five Values – Honesty, Respect, Compassion, Spirituality, Self-Reliance – where students and faculty forge lasting bonds and every student experiences a broad and challenging program in a small school setting. The School's educational environment fosters academic rigor, athletic development, artistic enrichment, and spiritual growth and strives to ensure a superior experience that prepares students for leading colleges and universities and for life.

Established by a group of Catholic laymen seeking to give their children a fine college preparatory education in a religious setting, Canterbury School maintains its two most distinguishing qualities: its Catholicism and independence. Our spiritual tradition informs all that we do – in the selfless dedication to the faculty, in the tolerance and respect students show to each other, in the School's moral atmosphere and rules of conduct, and in the spontaneous acts of kindness and charity practiced by students, teachers, and staff.

Villanova University Xavier University

#### The IVY LEAGUE colleges or universities where members of the Class of 2010 are enrolled include:

Cornell University Dartmouth College Harvard University University of Pennsylvania Yale University

### The colleges and universities MOST

OFTEN SELECTED by the Class of 2010 include:

Assumption College Babson College Bentley University Boston University Bucknell University Central Connecticut State University

#### Waterbury



## Holy Cross High School

President: Mr. Timothy McDonald Principal: Mrs. Margaret Leger 587 Oronoke Road, Waterbury, CT 06708 Phone: 203-757-9248 Fax: 203-757-3423 Web Site: www.holycrosshs-ct.com

Holy Cross High School is a private, four-year, Roman Catholic school, providing a college preparatory program for young men and women. The school, founded in 1968, is sponsored by the Brothers of Holy Cross, Eastern Province, in association with the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame. The present enrollment consists of 730 students from more than 30 cities/towns across the region. The Mission of Holy Cross High School is to assist in the total Christian education of young men and women. To accomplish this, Holy Cross High School, in cooperation with parents, provides a framework which fosters integration of the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, physical and social growth of each individual.

Holy Cross prepares students for college placement and a successful professional life through a comprehensive program of college prep, honors and advanced placement courses. The instructional model of Block Scheduling allows teachers and students to delve more deeply into subject matter and increase activity-based learning and group-oriented learning strategies. Upon graduation, over 97% of Holy Cross students enroll in a college or university. The school's beautiful campus provides students with opportunities for a truly enriching experience- library/ media center, large instrumental and choral music rooms, state-of-the-art science labs, foreign language lab, 750-seat tiered auditorium, gymnasium, Fitness Center, and state-of-the-art digital classrooms and art studios. Holy Cross provides an extensive extracurricular and athletic program consisting of 21 interscholastic sports (soccer, cross country, tennis, swimming, basketball, winter and spring track and field, volleyball, cheerleading, softball, football, wrestling, baseball, and golf) and more than 40 student clubs/activities.

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	PG #	Southington		
Ansonia		St. Dominic • PK-5	13	
Assumption • PK-8		St. Thomas • PK-8	13	
Berlin		Torrington		
St. Paul (Kensington) • PK-8	4	St. Peter/St. Francis of Assisi • PK-8	13	
BRANFORD		WALLINGFORD		
St. Mary • PK-8	4	Holy Trinity • K-8	14	
Bristol		WATERBURY		
St. Anthony • PK-8		Blessed Sacrament Catholic Day • PK-8	14	
St. Joseph • PK-8		Our Lady of Mt. Carmel • PK-8		
St. Matthew (Forestville) • PK	<b>-8</b> 5	St. Francis Xavier • PK-8		
CHESHIRE		St. Mary • PK-8	15	
St. Bridget • PK-8	5	SS. Peter & Paul • PK-8	15	
Derby		WATERTOWN		
St. Mary - St. Michael • K-8	5	St. John the Evangelist • PK-8		
EAST HARTFORD		St. Mary Magdalen (Oakville) • PK-8	15	
St. Christopher • PK-8	6	West Hartford		
EAST HAVEN		St. Brigid (Elmwood) • PK-8		
St. Vincent de Paul • PK-8	6	St. Thomas the Apostle • PK-5		
Enfield		St. Timothy • 6-8	16	
Little Angels Preschool • PK		West Haven		
St. Bernard School • K-8		Our Lady of Victory • PK-8		
St. Martha • K-8	7	St. Lawrence • PK-8	17	
HAMDEN		WETHERSFIELD		
St. Rita • PK-8		Corpus Christi • PK-8	17	
St. Stephen • PK-8	7	WINDSOR		
HARTFORD		St. Gabriel • K-8	17	

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What distinguishes the education offered at Notre Dame of West Haven is its experience and expertise in "teaching young adolescent males." In educating each young man to his highest potential, Notre Dame makes hands-on learning an integral part of the college-prep curriculum.

An honors program, AP classes, and courses that count for college credit position students for acceptance at first-rate colleges and universities – and our record of success is strong. 100% of our students are accepted at schools of higher learning with traditionally, 98 percent of our graduates go on to college.

Notre Dame is known for teaching methods that incorporate learning styles best suited to high school boys and for curriculum enhancements that create a competitive advantage.

Rounding out the Notre Dame experience is a strong tradition of brotherhood and pride. Internally, the sense of brotherhood plays out in a school-wide atmosphere of respect for self and others. Externally, the sense of pride is reflected on the sports field, in the arts, a host of club activities, and through a community service program that reflects the values at the heart of a Notre Dame education. These traits lead to students graduating as Notre Dame Men, prepared academically, spiritually, and maturity-wise for all of life's challenges.

### High School Highlights - Fast Facts

The Archdiocese of Hartford is extremely proud of our Catholic high schools who do an exemplary job of preparing their students for success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The data below illustrates the exceptional quality of our secondary schools, including their remarkable graduation rate and the extremely high percentage of those graduates who pursue further education, and go on to two or four year colleges. In these challenging economic times, it is noteworthy that the amount of scholarship dollars awarded to graduates of the Class of 2010 increased over last year by almost 40%.

- The 2010 Graduation Rate from our Catholic high schools is an impressive 100%.
- The percent of Catholic high school graduates who pursue further education/training is an outstanding 99% (includes four-year colleges, two-year colleges, training programs and the military.)
- The percent of Catholic high school graduates continuing their education at two- or four-year colleges is 98%.
  - The Class of 2010 at our Catholic high schools received over \$41,86



HARTFORD
St. Augustine • PK-8
SS. Cyril & Methodius • PK-8 8
MADISON
Our Lady of Mercy • PK-8
MANCHESTER
Assumption • PK-8
St. Bridget • PK-8
St. James • PK-8
Meriden
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel • PK-8
St. Joseph • K-8 9 St. Stanislaus • PK-8 10
St. Stanislaus • PK-8
Milford
St. Gabriel • PK-8
St. Mary • PK-8 10
NAUGATUCK
St. Francis • PK-8
St. Hedwig (Union City) • PK-811
New Britain
Pope John Paul II • PK-811
Sacred Heart • PK-811
New Haven
St. Aedan and St. Brendan • PK-811
St. Bernadette • PK-8 12
St. Francis/St. Rose • PK-8 12
Newington
St. Mary • PK-8 12
SIMSBURY
St. Mary • PK-8 13

St. Gabriel • K-8	17
WINSTED	
St. Anthony • PK-8	17
PRIVATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	
Enfield	
Enfield Montessori • PK-6	6
New Haven	
St. Martin de Porres Academy • PK, 5-8	12
SECONDARY SCHOOLS	
Bristol	
St. Paul Catholic H.S.* • 9-12	18
Manchester	
East Catholic H.S.* • 9-12	18
New Milford	
Canterbury H.S. • 9-12	19
WATERBURY	-
Holy Cross H.S. • 9-12	. 20
WEST HARTFORD	
Northwest Catholic H.S.* • 9-12	18
HIGH SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS	
Hamden	
Sacred Heart Academy • 9-12	19
Milford	-
Academy of Our Lady of Mercy,	
Lauralton Hall • 9-12	19
HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS	-
West Haven	
Notre Dame H.S. • 9-12	. 20
* Archdiocesan High Schools	
	WINSTED St. Anthony • PK-8

- scholarship dollars.
- All Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford consider it a priority to provide tuition assistance to students in need. Our Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford distributed \$8,314,788 in tuition assistance during the 2009 – 2010 school year.
- The Class of 2010 at our Catholic high schools included the following: 6 National Merit Scholars 120 Advanced Placement Scholars 2 Governor's Scholars 392 National Honor Society Members
- The number of Scholar Athletes in the Class of 2010 at our Catholic high



schools was 282.

- 680 students in the Catholic high school classes of 2010 were involved in the fine and performing arts.
- Students in our Catholic high schools are encouraged and expected to serve those in need, and our secondary students donated a remarkable 79,670 hours of community service throughout this past year.