



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL



THE MISSION OF HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
IS TO KNOW, LOVE AND SERVE GOD IN ALL WE DO.

24-25 ANNUAL REPORT

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Dear Holy Trinity Catholic School,

As I complete my first year as principal at Holy Trinity Catholic School, I am filled with gratitude for the warm welcome, enduring support, and unwavering faith that make this school community so special. It has been an incredible blessing to join a school with such a strong tradition of academic excellence, spiritual formation, and community spirit—a tradition I have been honored to carry forward.

Together, we have built on the solid foundation established by generations of faith-filled leaders, educators, and families. This year, our accomplishments reflect both our deep roots and our shared commitment to growth:

- **Faith Formation** remained the heartbeat of our school. From weekly Mass and Adoration to service projects and classroom prayer, our students grew in their relationship with Christ and embraced what it means to know, love, and serve God in all they do.
- **Academic Excellence** was strengthened through intentional instruction, teacher collaboration, and the use of NWEA MAP data to guide personalized learning. Our students continue to grow as confident, capable learners.
- **Community Spirit** shined brightly as we brought families together through events like the Alpine Festival, Catholic Schools Week, and our “Cheers to 25 Years” auction, which raised over \$158,134 to support important student and facility needs.
- **Operational Vitality** was strengthened through careful budgeting, increased enrollment interest, and the dedication of our faculty, staff, and parish partners who go above and beyond every day.

This year has reaffirmed that Holy Trinity is more than a school—it is a family rooted in faith, united in mission, and blessed by your generosity.

As we look ahead, I am filled with hope and excitement for the future. Together, we will continue to form disciples, nurture minds and hearts, and cultivate a deep reverence for God’s creation. At Holy Trinity, our faith-filled approach to learning inspires students to explore, discover, and care for the world around them, while upholding the values that have made our school a cornerstone of Catholic education for generations.

On behalf of our entire faculty and staff, thank you for your prayers, your presence, and your partnership. I am deeply grateful to walk this journey with you.

Blessings, Shannon Murphy

Year in Review

Faith & Catholic Identity

- Living our Faith Daily – Weekly Masses with student leadership, daily all-school prayer with reflections, and the Act of Contrition kept Christ at the center of each day.
- Growing in Devotion – All-School Adoration Retreat, weekly Adoration in the chapel, and praying the All-School Rosary strengthened our spiritual life.
- Celebrating Sacraments – Students prepared for and received First Communion and Confirmation, joined in Sacrament Retreats, and honored Mary during our May Crowning and VIP Brunch with Bishop Walkowiak.
- Faith in Action – Catholic Social Teaching was integrated into monthly tithing projects and Color Days led by Student Council.
- Joyful Traditions – Our Advent Program gathered families together in prayer, song, and celebration of the season.

Academic Excellence & Partnerships

- High School Connections – Our 8th graders partnered with West Catholic High School for Spanish, Science, and Math, providing advanced opportunities.
- Expanding Learning Opportunities – Fourteen middle school students competed in the Allendale Invitational Science Olympiad Tournament and the Region Twelve Science Olympiad Tournament at Grand Valley State University. The team brought home eight medals across events.
- Meaningful Learning Beyond the Classroom – Highlights included the 4th Grade Songfest, an annual field trip to the Michigan Capitol in Lansing, and a spring hike at Hoffmaster State Park guided by the DNR.
- Accreditation Success – Holy Trinity celebrated MNSAA accreditation with distinction, and Principal Shannon Murphy was invited to serve on the MNSAA State Board for Accreditation.

Student Life & Activities

- Early Learning Adventures – Preschool and Kindergarten enjoyed field trips to Schwaller's Country Basket, the Children's Museum, and a special Thanksgiving Feast. Kindergarten students also celebrated their graduation milestone.
- Elementary Experiences – Field trips included Critter Barn and Edison Christian Home, where students combined fun with service and learning.
- Community & Fun – Students across grades K–7 participated in Field Day, while Grades 2–8 completed fitness testing.
- Healthy Habits – Nearly 50 students participated in Mileage Club (March–May), encouraging fitness and perseverance.
- Athletics & Teamwork – Over 40 students proudly represented Holy Trinity in the Grand Rapids Elementary Athletics Association League.



NWEA MAP SCORES

Each year, Holy Trinity Catholic School administers the NWEA MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) assessments to students in grades K–8. These tests measure growth in math, reading, and language, adapting in real time to each student’s current skill level. This personalized approach sets individual growth goals, challenging students just the right amount.

MAP results provide valuable insight into each student’s strengths and areas for growth. Teachers use this information to tailor instruction for the whole class or in smaller groups, ensuring every student is supported and challenged. The MAP uses the RIT (Rasch unIT) scale to track academic progress year over year, giving a clear picture of growth over time.

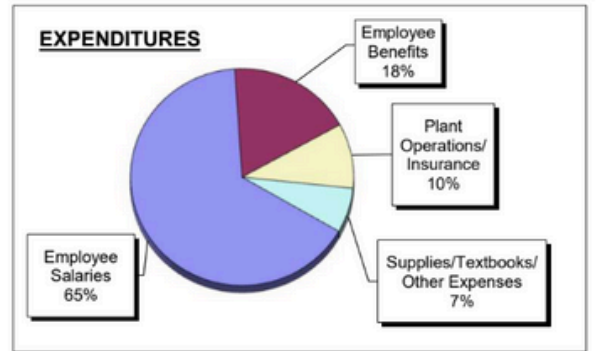
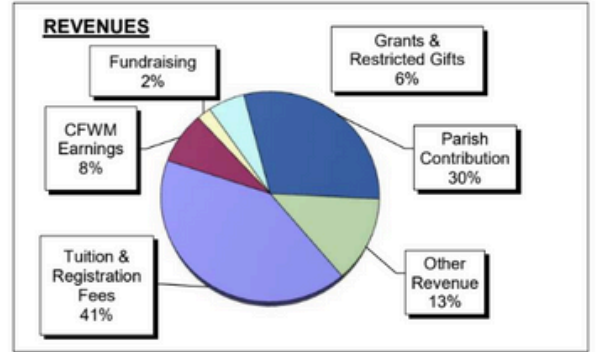
The chart below highlights Holy Trinity Catholic School’s Spring 2025 MAP scores, compared with diocesan and national norms from 2020.

	Grade K	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
Reading Holy Trinity	157	170	175	201	213	219	217	225	224
Reading norms diocesan/ national	160/ 153	177/ 171	190/ 185	207/ 201	207/ 205	213/ 211	219/ 215	222/218	225/ 221
Math Holy Trinity	163	180	198	197	212	224	226	232	236
Math norms diocesan/ national	166/ 157	183/ 176	193/ 189	202/ 197	209/ 210	218/219	224/ 222	228/ 227	233/ 230
Language Holy Trinity			180	195	209	216	217	222	224
Language norms diocesan/national			191/ 188	203/ 198	208/ 205	219/ 220	219/ 214	221/216	225/ 218



Financial Overview

	Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/2025	Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/2024
REVENUES:		
Tuition & Registration Fees	\$390,955	\$380,362
Catholic Foundation Earnings	\$76,696	\$116,094
Fundraising	\$20,611	\$12,844
Grants & Restricted Gifts	\$53,248	\$123,958
Parish Contribution	\$282,760	\$193,262
Other Revenue	\$123,816	\$99,319
Total Revenues	\$948,086	\$925,839
EXPENDITURES:		
Employee Salaries	\$622,152	\$563,771
Employee Benefits	\$170,846	\$169,608
Plant Operations/Insurance	\$91,753	\$74,837
Supplies/Textbooks/Other Expenses	\$63,335	\$117,623
Total Expenditures	\$948,086	\$925,839
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	\$0	\$0



Spring 2025 Enrollment

Preschool: 18

K-8th Grade: 95

Each Wednesday our students tith for student sponsored organization. During the 24-25 school year, Holy Trinity Catholic School gave over \$1200.



The Graduating Class of 2025



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

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MNSAA Accreditation 24-25

Holy Trinity Catholic School is proud to share that we have officially earned accreditation through the Michigan Nonpublic School Accrediting Association (MNSAA) for the next five years. This rigorous process involved a comprehensive self-study, the collection of evidence across academic, spiritual, and operational areas, and an in-depth on-site visit by an external review team. The process not only confirmed the many strengths of our school but also provided us with valuable feedback and goals for continued growth. Throughout this journey, transparency with our stakeholders—families, parish, staff, and community—has been an essential part of our commitment, ensuring that all are informed and engaged in the life and mission of our school. Accreditation by MNSAA affirms that Holy Trinity meets high standards of excellence in Catholic education, ensuring a strong foundation for our students today and into the future.