

Annual Report

2016-2017

All Saints Academy is a Catholic School inspired by the Holy Spirit and dedicated to teaching and living as Jesus did. Our mission is to serve and partner with our families, parishes and communities as we focus on the spiritual, intellectual, moral, social, and physical development of our children.

All Saints Academy

Elementary Campus
2233 Diamond Ave.

Middle School Campus
1110 4 Mile Rd.

www.asagr.org

The shared purpose of All Saints Academy is to "Form Saints to Serve All!"

At All Saints Academy, we believe...

WE ARE ONE

WE CAN ALL GROW

CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION PROMOTE SUCCESS

ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE THROUGH CHRIST

Core Values

Faith

Via Dolorosa

The 2.3 mile walk from the Middle School Campus to the Elementary Campus has become an impressionable experience for our students as they conclude their Lenten journey. The day begins with the living Stations of the Cross led by our 8th graders. The day ends with a traditional Seder Meal shared among the entire student body.



Pack the Pews Returns

Brought back by popular demand (requested specifically by our pastors) Pack the Pews returned after taking the 2015-2016 year off. Pack the Pews is an event where our All Saints Academy families are encouraged to attend a particular parish Mass as designated by the schedule. It is a great way to live our belief that we are one.

Learning

New Middle School Science Lab

The middle school science lab was updated with new storage, electrical and plumbing upgrades.





Core Values

Loving

Eat Pray Run and Eaglefest

Eat Pray Run and Eaglefest were more successful than any other year. The success can be attributed to increased participation for our 5K run and new format for the auction. This year, Eaglefest included a presale raffle as well as a separate “fund a need” portion of the auction. The fund the need allowed us to complete our Eagle Fund project ahead of schedule.



Serving

Service Corps Continues

The 2016-2017 school year was also our second year of 8th Grade Service Corps. With Mrs. Zimelis’ guidance and support ASA 8th grade students research community volunteer opportunities and select a local organization to partner with for a day of service. Students have worked with organizations like Feeding America, God’s Kitchen, McKenzie’s Animal Shelter, Ronald McDonald House, HELP Crisis Pregnancy Center, and Blanford Nature Center.

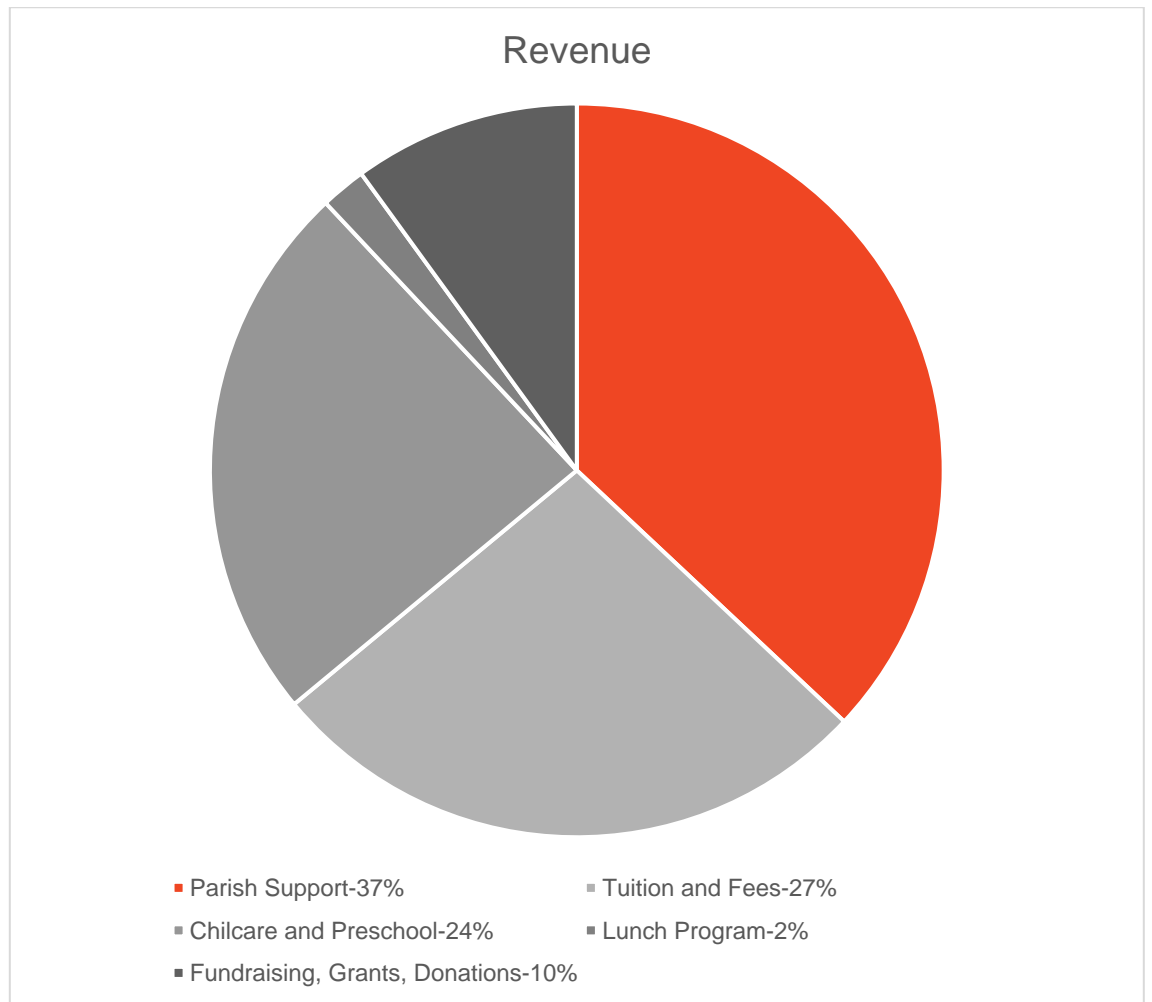
After their day of service the 8th grade host a day in May at the middle school where they reported out to 4th through 7th grade students, their parents, and community partners what they learned through their service experiences.

Partnership with Catholic Charities of West Michigan

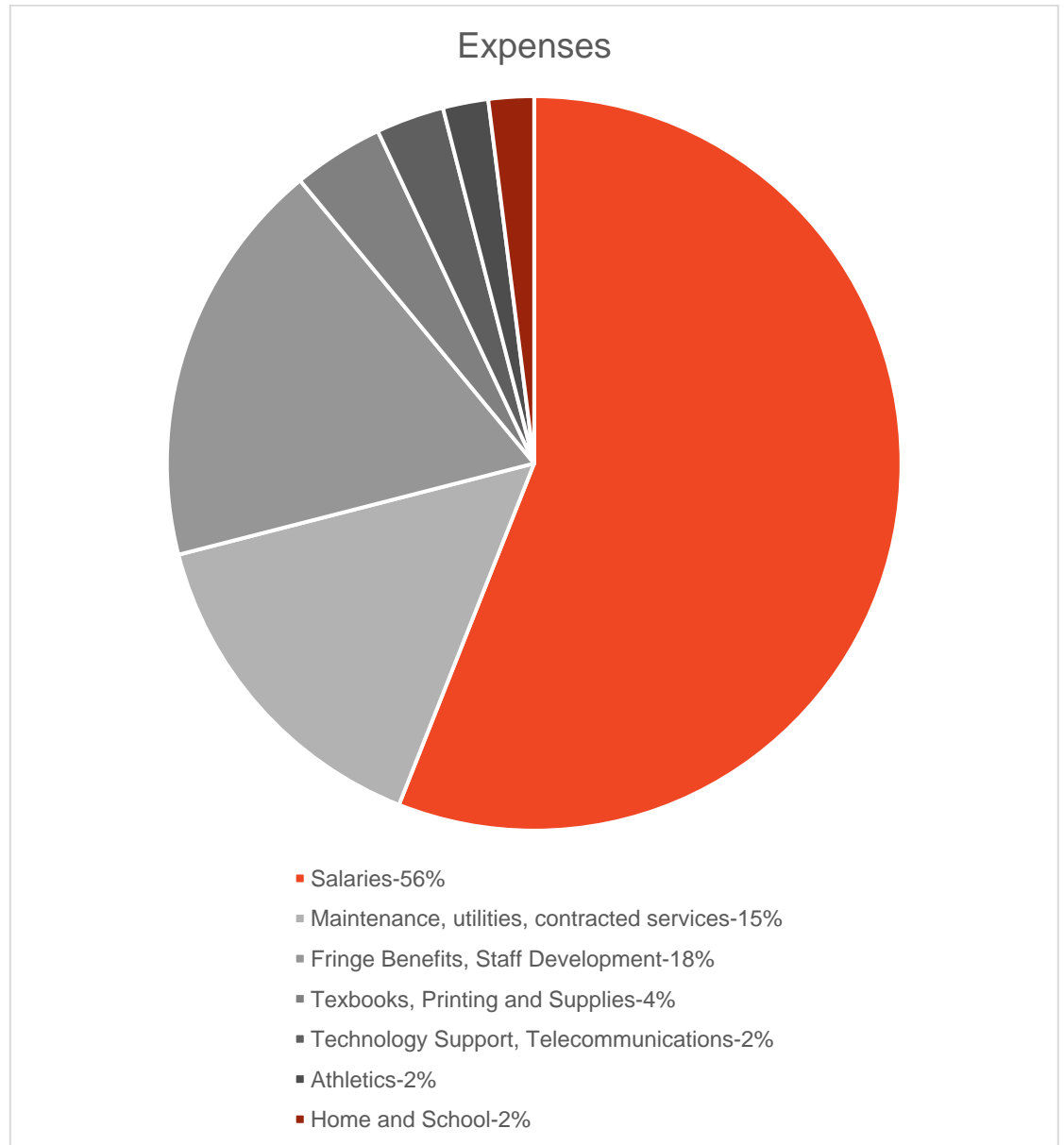
For both the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school year ASA partnered with Catholic Charities of West Michigan Foster Care as our community service project partner. ASA students learned about the work Catholic Charities does for foster families in West Michigan my meeting the Foster Care Team, and a few foster care students. Dollar Jeans Day proceed collected during Advent and Lent both years were donated to the Catholic Charities Foster Care work. Students and ASA families also collected books, toys, personal care items, wrote birthday cards, and created art for the local foster care family visit home.

Financial Summary

Year	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017
Total Enrollment	315	314	300	272



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Student Achievement

MAP Data

MAP assessments are computer adaptive and produce accurate, reliable data that reveal the precise learning level of every student, regardless of the student's ability or grade level. MAP identifies areas of strength and opportunity at the goal level of a subject, as well as overall performance. Educators use MAP data to inform in-the-moment instructional practices, gain insights into college readiness, and view grade independent academic growth.

Reading			
Grade	ASA	Diocese	National
2	196.2	192.2	188.7
3	201.6	202.7	198.6
4	207.3	210.3	205.9
5	219.4	215.7	211.8
6	224.3	221.1	215.8
7	227.8	225.1	218.2
8	233.9	230.9	220.1

Mathematics			
Grade	ASA	Diocese	National
2	193.9	192.1	192.1
3	201.3	204.1	203.4
4	205.8	214.1	213.5
5	220.6	222.1	221.4
6	224.8	226.8	225.3
7	232.0	234.0	228.6
8	239.8	241.9	230.9

ACRE Test

The ACRE test is administered to students in 5th and 8th grade.

- The acronym stands for Assessment of Catechesis/Religious Education.
- This test is published by the NCEA (National Catholic Educational Association).
- The NCEA ACRE is an assessment based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church and the most recent catechetical documents.
- The purpose of the NCEA ACRE is to evaluate the effectiveness of a religion program:

The printed curriculum communicated during a teaching-learning session and the formative experiences in and with the faith community, for example, Sunday Liturgy.

“No single evaluative paper and pencil instrument can measure a person’s love of God or faith. However, especially in the formative years, knowing where one stands in relation to knowledge of the faith and faith awareness can help engender a desire to know more about God and the Church. The goal of catechesis/religious education is to foster a relationship with Jesus Christ that leads to maturity in faith. Such maturity will only be achieved through a lifelong pursuit of prayerful faith formation based on the realization that “the love of God has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us” (Romans 5:5). The revised NCEA ACRE is a tool to assist school and parish catechetical leaders in providing a sound comprehensive religion program.”

2017 ACRE Test Data

Grade 5

	<i>Domain 1:</i> Faith Knowledge	<i>Domain 2:</i> Liturgical Life	<i>Domain 3:</i> Moral Formation	<i>Domain 4:</i> Prayer	<i>Domain 5:</i> Communal Life	<i>Domain 6:</i> Missionary Spirit	<i>Pillar 1:</i> Creed	<i>Pillar 2:</i> Liturgy & Sacraments	<i>Pillar 3:</i> Morality	<i>Pillar 4:</i> Prayer
ASA	76	82.1	89.7	72.2	82.4	73.6	78.1	82.1	82.5	72.2
Diocese	76.8	76.4	82.3	70.4	77.7	66.1	77	76.4	76.6	70.4
National	73	71	80	67	74	57	73	71	73	67

Grade 8

	<i>Domain 1:</i> Faith Knowledge	<i>Domain 2:</i> Liturgical Life	<i>Domain 3:</i> Moral Formation	<i>Domain 4:</i> Prayer	<i>Domain 5:</i> Communal Life	<i>Domain 6:</i> Missionary Spirit	<i>Pillar 1:</i> Creed	<i>Pillar 2:</i> Liturgy & Sacraments	<i>Pillar 3:</i> Morality	<i>Pillar 4:</i> Prayer
ASA	76	82.1	89.7	78.6	66.1	88.2	72.6	83.8	87.3	78.6
Diocese	82.9	81.3	88.7	77.4	70.3	88.8	79.6	81.5	87.6	77.4
National	75	72	83	75	65	79	72	72	81	75

ASA Community Garden

The 2016-2017 school year was our second year of a school based community garden. The 7th grade class worked in science class to design plans to improve space uses, irrigation and soil nutrients based on our experiences during the 2015-2016 garden. A grant from World Renew allowed us to partner with Urban Roots weekly starting in April 2017 on garden work and lessons. Each class kindergarten through 8th grade was given the opportunity both years to help with various stages of planting. Summer care students and the 4 parishes were invited to join us Mondays through during the 2017 summer to do garden maintenance and harvesting with Urban Roots. Summer helpers took home any veggies they harvested.

This fall middle school classes are working to harvest produce during class times and at recess. Our food has been shared at school lunches, with teachers, the Board of Directors, parents, the Grand Rapids Catholic Schools Offices, and a number of ASA community families!



Philosophy of Education

During the 2016-2017 school year, the Mission Effectiveness Committee drafted the following "Philosophy of Education" for All Saints Academy. Under the leadership of Sr. Rosita Schiller and comprised of teachers, parents, and staff members, the Mission Effectiveness Committee identified key aspects and characteristics of the educational experience at ASA.

All Saints Academy provides a transformative, rigorous academic program with the Catholic faith as our foundation. We cultivate faith-filled relationships among our community, strengthening our commitment to love and service.

All Saints Academy is a community of students, educators, parents, and our four founding parishes. Together we educate the whole child, advancing knowledge while nurturing hearts and souls. We help everyone in our school community to become the best version of themselves through personal growth, creativity, prayer, communal worship, and loving service. We respect and celebrate each child's God-given unique gifts and talents through innovative and individualized approaches to learning. We foster strong relationships with Jesus Christ so that graduates engage in lifelong faith development to glorify God through their good works and service to all.