



NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC ACADEMY



KINDERGARTEN - 8TH GRADE



WELCOME

to Northside Catholic Academy, where we've crafted a challenging, well-rounded curriculum that hones young minds for success. NCA test scores consistently surpass the national average, leading our alumni to place into top high schools and be more prepared for upper-grade challenges. Our faculty inspires a love of learning and builds strength of character.

Students learn to act critically, creatively, and collaboratively and to work to the best of their ability while developing responsibility, self-awareness, and curiosity.



We practice student-centered teaching and learning.

We promote joy in education, respect, truth, and compassion.

We value all children and celebrate the diversity in our community.

We cultivate faith and values as the underpinning to our system.

PHILOSOPHY

Our educational philosophy integrates education and Catholic values.

We are dedicated to educating the WHOLE child: intellectually, socially, physically, and spiritually. We promote a nurturing atmosphere to grow their love of learning, self-worth, understanding, and community involvement.

Each NCA child receives a top-quality education, supported by a rich sense of community. This environment allows students and their families to thrive as they follow their path here. We invite you to discover something greater at Northside Catholic Academy.



GOALS

We align with Common Core Standards, deepening learning by pushing beyond simple comprehension to utilize higher-order skills such as synthesis, application, and analysis. This integrated approach empowers students to master any content.

Our faculty are diligent in tailoring the curriculum to the diverse student population. With small class sizes, diagnostic data, actionable insights, and customized instruction from our i-Ready program, we strive to meet every student's needs, whether they are advanced learners or need extra support.

DIFFERENTIATED INSTRUCTION

Careful consideration is given to the varying learning levels within a class. We develop skills and cultivate the learner in each child, meeting them at their level. Many lessons are prepared to be multi-tiered to promote success for all children. Teachers choose from a variety of strategies to meet the individual needs of each of their students.

OUR COMPREHENSIVE BASE CURRICULUM:

- Language Arts
- Everyday Math (created and developed by the University of Chicago)
- Pre-Algebra: Foundational Skills (7th Grade)
- Algebra: Foundational Skills (8th Grade)
- Inquiry-Based Social Studies
- FOSS Next Generation Inquiry-Based Science (K - 5th)
- SEPUP-Issues, Earth Science, Life Science, Physical Science (6th - 8th)



OUR RENAISSANCE COURSE CURRICULUM:

- Spanish Language
- Computer Technology
- Art & Music
- Physical Education
- Fine Arts (5th through 8th)
- Ballroom Dancing
- Storytelling
- Drama

EXTRACURRICULAR

Outside of the school day, we offer an array of stimulating extracurriculars, including:

- Chess Club
- Art
- Cooking
- Foreign Languages
- Student Council
- Interscholastic Athletics:
- Music: band, guitar, string, basketball, volleyball, soccer, piano, voicelacrosse, cross country

RELIGION

In concert with academic upbringing, we help children grow in their relationship with God in age-appropriate ways. Along with character-building lesson plans, students participate in service projects, attend weekly mass targeted to a young audience, and celebrate Catholic traditions. Our values appreciate people of all faiths, and non-Catholic students are always welcome.

EXTENDED CARE

We provide engaging extended care programs, both before school and after, available from 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM to better support our families and their schedules.

PARENTS

We pride ourselves on our engaged parent support network. We find that parent involvement is essential to the success of our young minds. We offer ample volunteer opportunities that suit a variety of interests and respect variable availability.



Schedule a Tour

Come walk our halls, visit our classrooms, and speak to our impassioned staff. Individual tours available by appointment.

To schedule a tour please call or email Jacob Utz, Admissions

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WHY NCA?

- Experienced, dedicated faculty
- Common Core Standards
- Recognition by State Board of Education
- Above-average test scores
- Top tier high school admittance
- Diverse student body
- Well-rounded curriculum
- Differentiated instruction
- Low student-teacher ratio
- Focus on character-building
- Social activities for whole families
- Two computer labs & two libraries
- Recess and field trips
- Vibrant athletics program
- Widely ranging extracurriculars
- Performances, concerts, and plays
- Extended care
- Affordable tuition
- Scholarships
- A welcoming community

Tuition & Registration

We offer scholarships and multiple child discounts. Rates and online application can be found at **NorthsideCatholic.org**,

Start your child's path to extraordinary learning and discovery!