



# GROW WITH US



**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**  
DIOCESE *of* DES MOINES

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Catholic schools in the Diocese of Des Moines are collaborative communities of spiritual formation and academic excellence, where students grow in faith and wisdom and emerge as responsible citizens dedicated to the practice of life-long discipleship.

We believe Catholic education should be rooted in **faith**, focused on **excellence** and supported by a caring **community** while also providing the best **value** to our families.



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# OUR SCHOOLS BY THE NUMBERS

## FAITH

**700+**  
ANNUAL  
SCHOOL  
MASSES

**45** ANNUAL  
FAITH RETREATS



ALL FAITH  
BACKGROUNDS  
**WELCOME**

## EXCELLENCE

  
**100%**  
OF SCHOOLS  
ARE ACCREDITED,  
5 HOLD BLUE RIBBON DESIGNATION

**12:1**  
STUDENT/  
TEACHER  
RATIO

**37%** OF FACULTY  
WITH  
ADVANCED DEGREES

## COMMUNITY

**16**  
LANGUAGES  
SPOKEN

  
**31%**  
STUDENT  
DIVERSITY

**100%** OF SCHOOLS  
WILL COMPLETE  
A SAFETY AUDIT WITH  
LAW ENFORCEMENT IN 2022

## VALUES

  
**\$345** AVERAGE  
MONTHLY TUITION (K-8)  
*BEFORE TUITION ASSISTANCE*

**64,096**  
SERVICE HOURS  
PROVIDED BY STUDENTS IN 2022

# GROW IN FAITH

At Diocese of Des Moines Catholic Schools, faith is the foundation of all we do. It's rooted in the daily curriculum, in sports, the arts, and service experiences, providing your child a foundation for life.

- Your child will foster a relationship with Christ and is given opportunities daily to live the Gospel through love and service to others.
- While Catholic faith is the cornerstone of our schools, we welcome students of all faith traditions.
- Through the lens of Catholic social teaching, your child will learn about respecting diversity, dignity and the beliefs of all.
- Using critical thinking and constructive debate, your child will grow personally, in faith and academics.



“FAITH-BASED EDUCATION IS A PRIMARY REASON WHY OUR FAMILY ATTENDS ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL. THE TEACHINGS OF CHRISTIANITY ARE INSTILLED FROM THE MOMENT THE CHILDREN ARRIVE AND CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE DURATION OF THEIR EDUCATION.”

ST. JOSEPH PARENT



# GROW IN EXCELLENCE

From preschool through high school, your child will thrive in caring and creative environments with smaller class sizes that teach BIG subjects. With diocesan curriculum aligned to state standards as a base, your child will also experience:

- STEM education
- Fine arts
- Language immersion\*
- Diverse-learner support
- Enrichment programs
- Athletics
- Social-emotional learning

Our teachers challenge your child to aim higher in every aspect – academically, spiritually and personally – so they can achieve their potential.

*\* Language immersion education track only available at St. Anthony Catholic School.*



“THE SPANISH IMMERSION PROGRAM AT ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC SCHOOL IS VERY IMPRESSIVE. LEARNING A SECOND LANGUAGE IS A TREMENDOUS SKILL THAT FLOWS INTO ALL AREAS OF LEARNING AND WE BELIEVE IT WILL OPEN UP MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR CHILDREN.”

ST. ANTHONY PARENT

# GROW IN COMMUNITY

Our schools partner with parishes and parents to create a welcoming environment that will help your child feel secure and accepted and a part of something so much more than just academics – a community of faith where the bonds of friendship and trust will last a lifetime.

Christ the King  
2-YO daycare, PS3, PK4, TK5, K-8  
Des Moines

Dowling Catholic  
9-12  
West Des Moines

Holy Family  
PK4, K-8  
Des Moines

Holy Trinity  
PS3, PK4, TK5, K-8  
Des Moines

Sacred Heart  
PS3, PK4, TK5, K-8  
West Des Moines

Shelby County Catholic  
PK4, K-5  
Harlan

St. Albert Catholic  
Birth-2, PS3, PK4, K-12  
Council Bluffs

St. Anthony  
PS3, PK4, K-8  
Des Moines

St. Augustin  
PK4, TK5, K-8  
Des Moines

St. Francis of Assisi  
PS3, PK4, K-8  
West Des Moines

St. Joseph  
PK4, K-8  
Des Moines

St. Luke  
K-8  
Ankeny

St. Malachy  
PS3, PK4, K-8  
Creston

St. Patrick  
PK4, K-8  
Perry

St. Pius X  
PS3, PK4, TK5, K-8  
Urbandale

St. Theresa  
PS3, PK4, K-8  
Des Moines



“SAINT ALBERT CATHOLIC IS AN EXTENSION OF OUR FAMILY. AS A PARENT, EDUCATION IS OBVIOUSLY MY PRIORITY, BUT BEING ABLE TO KNOW SO MANY OF THE TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND STAFF WHO HAVE A HAND IN MY CHILD’S EXPERIENCE SOLIDIFIES MY DECISION TO BE A PART OF THIS COMMUNITY.”

SAINT ALBERT CATHOLIC PARENT

# GROW IN VALUES

Investing in your child's education is about more than a number—it's about a teaching approach that focuses on your child's mind, body and soul.

Rooted in faith – the cornerstone of all we do – it's about having the best educators with challenging lesson plans and new technologies at your disposal. It's about a creative, disciplined and welcoming environment, where a focus on social justice, service and leadership is central to each student's experience. It's about your child growing and flourishing in every part of their life – not just test scores.

And it might be more affordable than you think. Tuition Assistance is available through the Catholic Tuition Organization (CTO), parish scholarships, individualized tuition plans, 529 accounts and more.

**Grow with us! Contact our admissions team at [grow@dmdiocese.org](mailto:grow@dmdiocese.org) to schedule your personalized tour.**



“CHOOSING OUR SCHOOL IS BY FAR THE BEST INVESTMENT WE HAVE MADE IN OUR CHILDREN’S FUTURE. THE SMALL CLASS SIZES ENSURE INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION AND LIFELONG FRIENDSHIPS WITH CLASSMATES. ST. PATRICK IS NOT ONLY A SCHOOL, IT IS A FAMILY, AND YOU FEEL THAT AS SOON AS YOU WALK IN THE DOOR.”

ST. PATRICK PARENT

