

# A SNAPSHOT OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

# MOUNTAIN MOVER

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## WV CATHOLIC SCHOOLS MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic school communities of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston are committed to providing quality education in the Catholic tradition for all students in a nurturing, Christ-centered environment. We accompany families in challenging children to recognize, develop and share their God-given gifts and talents.

Our priority is our students, our privilege is supporting our families, our commitment is to continually improve our schools as we look to the future. Through individual and critical thinking; strong self-esteem; empathy; citizenship; and a sound moral foundation all in a Christ-centered environment, each of our 24 schools prepare our students to be the best version of themselves. Catholic School students in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston not only outperform their counterparts academically, but also learn to put faith, accountability, responsibility, and integrity into action every day.

- Mrs. Mary Ann Deschaine, Ed.S.  
*Superintendent of Catholic Schools*



THE WV CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CLASS OF 2021 RECEIVED \$26.5 MILLION IN ACADEMIC AND ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS.

## ASSESSMENTS PROVE EXCELLENCE

Despite the pandemic, WV Catholic school students scored above national averages on assessments. The diocesan schools partner with the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) for their nationally normed, state-aligned, online Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) assessments. Given three times a year, the NWEA MAP Growth tests are adaptive, meaning students are measured where they are across grade levels instead of just at their grade level. Based on this assessment data, teachers are able to adapt their lesson plans to help students attain individual goals and grade level goals.

The WV Catholic Schools believe in monitoring learning throughout the year, as well as from year to year, is critical to developing and implementing effective teaching and learning strategies, and helps remove roadblocks for students, so the focus remains on positive growth.

## PLANNING FOR OUR FUTURE

Our 24 schools across the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston honor and reflect on the past as we plan for the future. Each school follows a comprehensive plan strategically focused on the National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools (NSBECS). Our plans center around four pillars:

- **Mission and Catholic Identity**
- **Governance and Leadership**
- **Academic Excellence**
- **Operational Vitality**

The diocesan intentional growth plan reflects a strong combination of our individual school plans and guides the work of the Department of Catholic Schools. This growth process is part of our ongoing accreditation through our national accrediting organization, Cognia.

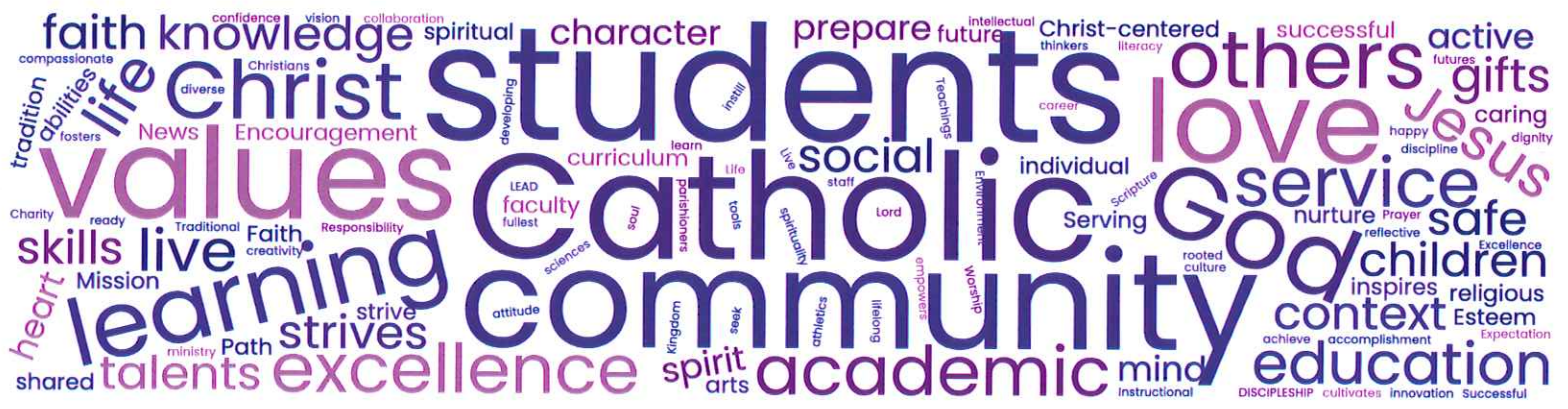
Initiatives and programs launched during the 2021-22 school year, as part of the diocesan intentional growth plan, include:

- ✓ **Increased professional and leadership development for staff**
- ✓ **Collaboration, enrichment, and high-quality education strategies to maximize student learning**
- ✓ **Focus on virtues to prepare our students to be leaders now**
- ✓ **Continued concentration on the formation of the whole child to be successful in life not just in academics**

## DIOCESAN APPEAL ASSISTANCE

Gifts to the annual diocesan giving program, the Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA), impact students in all 24 Catholic Schools. The CSA provides funding for the existing Tuition Assistance Fund and School-Based Health Programs. It also funded the School Merit Grants and Technology Upgrade Grants available to each school. CSA funding continues to shine light on Catholic school students to help them reach their full potential.





**CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**  
[www.cchsknights.org](http://www.cchsknights.org)



**CHARLESTON CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**  
[www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org](http://www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org)



**MADONNA HIGH SCHOOL**  
[www.weirtonmadonna.org](http://www.weirtonmadonna.org)



**NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL**  
[www.notredamewv.org](http://www.notredamewv.org)



**PARKERSBURG CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**  
[www.parkersburgcatholic.com](http://www.parkersburgcatholic.com)



**ST JOSEPH CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**  
[www.stjosephhs.org](http://www.stjosephhs.org)



**CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL**  
[www.corpuschristiwheeling.com](http://www.corpuschristiwheeling.com)



**FAIRMONT CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL**  
[www.fairmontcatholic.com](http://www.fairmontcatholic.com)



**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH SCHOOL**  
[www.olofps.org](http://www.olofps.org)



**OUR LADY OF PEACE SCHOOL**  
[www.olpschool.org](http://www.olpschool.org)



**PARKERSBURG CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
[www.pceswv.org](http://www.pceswv.org)



**SACRED HEART GRADE SCHOOL**  
[www.shgs.us](http://www.shgs.us)

# System at a Glance

18 Elementary & 6 High Schools

9% of students represent minorities

Over 450 professional staff

13 counties are served by West Virginia Catholic Schools

9TH LARGEST WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL SYSTEM IN NUMBER OF SCHOOLS

20TH LARGEST WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL SYSTEM IN NUMBER OF STUDENTS

4,259 elementary & secondary students



**SAINTS PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
[www.ssppcatholic.org](http://www.ssppcatholic.org)



**SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES CENTRAL CATHOLIC**  
[www.stfrancismorgantown.com](http://www.stfrancismorgantown.com)



**SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES SCHOOL**  
[www.sfdsbeckley.org](http://www.sfdsbeckley.org)



**SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL**  
[www.sfsww.com](http://www.sfsww.com)



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[www.stjosephgs.org](http://www.stjosephgs.org)



**SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL**  
[www.sjswv.org](http://www.sjswv.org)



**SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER GRADE SCHOOL**  
[www.weirtonstjoseph.net](http://www.weirtonstjoseph.net)



**SAINT MARY'S CENTRAL SCHOOL**  
[www.stmaryswv.org](http://www.stmaryswv.org)



**SAINT MICHAEL PARISH SCHOOL**  
[www.stmikesparishschool.org](http://www.stmikesparishschool.org)



**SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL**  
[www.stpatswv.org](http://www.stpatswv.org)



**SAINT PAUL SCHOOL**  
[www.weirtonstpauls.org](http://www.weirtonstpauls.org)



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