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2024 Report Card



For over 150 years Holy Name of Jesus Catholic School has been able to proudly say that we serve the Henderson Community in faith, academics, and service. It is through our commitment to continue that tradition and our vision of taking the school to a higher level of service that we partnered with the Institute for School and Parish Development this year and have undergone a strategic planning process to lead us on a path of greater excellence. We have engaged and invited our school, parish, and local community to join us for this planning process and we look forward to incorporating the vision of our entire community into our plans going forward.

Along with the behind the scenes work of strategic planning, exciting things are happening daily. We've added a STREAM based class called the Collaboratory which focuses on the four C's: Communication, Collaboration, Creativity, and Critical Thinking. Our Catholic Identity Committee has been intentional in providing unique prayer experiences such as Praise and Worship and interactive prayer experiences. Our confirmed students are trained in administering the Eucharist and our 4th- 8th grade students are trained in Altar serving in preparation for their active life in the church. We added elementary cross country to our list of extracurricular activities. We've partnered with Henderson County High School to allow co-op/intern opportunities with our nurse and Early Learning Program. We have continued to engage our alumni with an Alumni and Friends Homecoming Weekend and periodic newsletters.

As we've impacted our students during their time at Holy Name, our students continue to impact the community as they graduate and assume roles as leaders in the Henderson community and beyond. Of the 2023 Henderson Chamber of Commerce 20 under 40, people who were recognized as influential professionals who exemplify occupational merit, servant leadership, and exude remarkable personal qualities, 7 of the 40 were Holy Name graduates. Of the students selected for the Governor's Scholars Programs for the summer of 2023, three were Holy Name graduates. Representatives from our three feeder high schools: Memorial, Owensboro Catholic, and Henderson County High School are well known for saying that you can spot a Holy Name student.

In reviewing our history, current students, and existing alumni, it is clear that our commitment and dedication to educating the whole child: body, mind, and spirit remains strong and ready to take on the next 150 years.



Holy Name of Jesus Catholic School
Educating the Whole Child - Faith, Academics & Service



House System

KINDERGARTEN – 8TH GRADE

At HNS, every student in K-8 belongs to one of six houses. The goal of the House System is to provide an opportunity for students and faculty to interact across all grade levels in healthy competition and support each other as they grow in their Catholic faith. Students will learn to work hard individually for the good of their House, in addition to working as a team. All Houses have a patron saint, symbol, colors, motto/scripture, non-profit/philanthropic group, and chant. These components of the House system encourage teamwork, friendship, service, and leadership. Houses compete against each other in the areas of academics, athletics, behavior, school spirit, and community service.

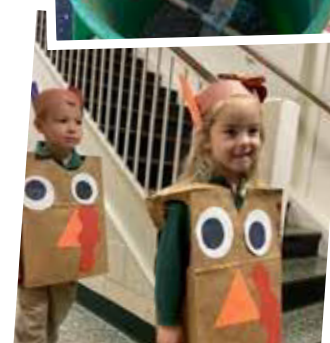
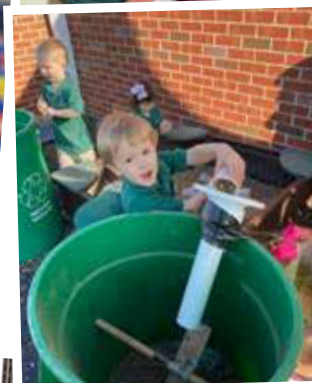
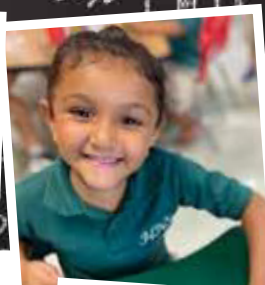
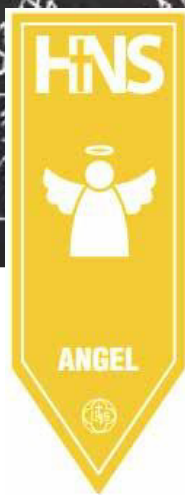


Extracurricular Activities



- 4-H
- Academic Teams
- Archery
- Basketball
- Boy Scouts
- Cheerleading
- Children's Choir
- Cross Country
- Dance Team
- Football (County Program)
- Girl Scouts

- Golf
- Middle School Baseball (County Program)
- Soccer
- Tennis
- Track
- Volleyball
- Wrestling (County Program)
- Yearbook Club
- Youth Group
- Y-Club



Angel House System

EARLY LEARNING

Although not involved in the House System competitions, our littlest Cardinals in preschool and pre-kindergarten are in the Angel House. The Angel House participates in the House System by beginning to understand teamwork, friendship, and service. These early and fundamental lessons help to prepare them to enter into kindergarten and the bigger House System.

Early Learning Program Enrollment

Our STARS certified program is designed specifically for the needs of small children. The modern and spacious facilities provide a safe and structured environment. Certified teachers encourage social development and strong academic curriculum. Technology, music instruction, PE time, and library visits are incorporated in weekly activities. A registered nurse and guidance counselor ensure care for the whole child.

Programs & Events

Accelerated Reader
Catholic Schools Week
Childcare
Christmas Program
Conservation
Duke Tip
Elks Hoop Shoot
Exact Path
Fall Festival
Family Christmas
Field Trips
Fire Prevention
Food Drives & Collections
Friends in Christ Senior Pen Pals
Grandparents Mass
HNS Field Day

House Charitable Organizations
House Spirit Games
Junior Achievement
K of C Free Throw Contest
Kentucky Youth Assembly
Mass Altar Serving, Cantoring,
& Lectoring
Middle School Dances
Parent Breakfasts
Polar Express
PTO
Recorder Concert
Recycling Program
Red Ribbon Week
Rotary Field Day
Scholastic Book Fair

School Choice Week
Service Projects
Speech Rehabilitation/Coaching
Student Appreciation Day
Student Retreats
Student-to-Student Mentoring
Study Island
Summer Enrichment Program
Talent Show
Thanksgiving Meal
Tuition Rebate Program
Uniform Swaps
Used Book Sale
Weekly Mass

HNS Catholic Identity

OUR MISSION

Holy Name is a Catholic School providing an environment for a quality education based on the Gospel Message, which fosters service to the community.

PHILOSOPHY

Recognizing the fact that the parents are the primary educators of their children, Holy Name School supports and partners with parents in spiritual, academic, physical, social, and psychological development. Realizing the importance of instilling spiritual values, we not only include religious instruction in the curriculum, but we create an atmosphere permeated with Christian love among students, faculty and staff. Since our goal is not merely to teach about Christ, but to actually “teach Christ,” we are mindful of the necessity of revealing the human Christ to the students by our relationship with them.

PRAYER

Our prayer life is interwoven with our academic excellence. In addition to Holy Name Church the school has a chapel within the school for special prayer services. The school family prays at the beginning and end of each school day, and the students pray before classes and before lunch. Prayer continues to be an essential part of all extracurricular activities.

SERVICE

Students are encouraged to volunteer their time and talent as good stewards of God. Many local agencies and non-profits benefit from the presence and service of our students: Riverview School, St. Vincent, the Father Bradley Shelter for Women and Children, the Salvation Army, and the Breakfast Lions Club of Henderson are a few examples. All students at our school have ample opportunity to help others.

RETREATS

We believe that it is essential to help students increase their faith and spirit in God, the Church, and one another. Students preparing for the Sacraments in the Church are provided a day to reflect and grow in their faith. Each grade level participates in retreats and devotes time to focus on various aspects of spirituality.





SPIRITUAL FORMATION AND RELIGIOUS CLASSES

Spiritual formation is one of the pillars of our mission and is accomplished by means of printed curriculum used in teaching-learning sessions, along with formative experiences in and with the entire faith community, for example, school and weekend Masses, retreat opportunities, service projects, Holy Name Youth Group activities and more.

Students attend Mass once a week, have Religion instruction four days per week, including participation in "Leadership Class" with the administrative staff and "Christ in Me" with the Guidance Counselor. We believe that religious formation must begin with our children understanding how to live their faith and not just know facts about their faith.

With that belief in mind "Leadership Class" demonstrates to the students in a practical way what it means to be Christ-like servant leaders and shepherds to those around them. In "Christ in Me" students discuss compassion, perseverance, forgiveness, managing conflicts, kindness, and other Christian virtues, all in the context of their own life experiences.

Students in 5th and 8th grades are given the ACRE test. The ACRE (Assessment of Children/Youth Religious Education) helps evaluate the faith knowledge and attitudes of students. As an integrated assessment tool, ACRE provides faith knowledge questions and questions related to religious beliefs, attitudes, practices, and perceptions.



CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Students celebrate Mass weekly at school and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation twice a year. Holy Communion and Confirmation are part of the religion curriculum in partnership with the Holy Name Director of Religious Education.

FAMILY OF FAITH

Our school community is a school family. Overall, people care for and respect one another, and the environment is hospitable and welcoming. HNS friends and alumni are present and active members of our school family, and they are prayed for every day. They richly bless the school with the time, talent, and treasure necessary for improving our initiatives. Faculty and staff work as a team to provide the very best education and formation needed for our young people. Parishioners of Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church lovingly and generously support the school and its mission.



DISCIPLINE

Catholic schools have always been known for good and solid discipline, based on Gospel values. Our methods ensure that Holy Name School is orderly and promotes an atmosphere of respect, compassion and accountability. Catholic education is best known for its moral and ethical base that comes to us from the Church.

HNS Student Academics

MAP Test

Measures of Academic Progress® (MAP®) are K – 12 interim assessments that measure growth, project proficiency on high-stakes tests, and inform how educators differentiate instruction, evaluate programs, and structure curriculum.

Computer adaptive MAP assessments reveal precisely which academic skills and concepts the students have acquired and what they're ready to learn. MAP assessments are grade independent and adapt to each student's instructional level. Every item on a MAP assessment is anchored to a vertically aligned equal interval scale, called the RIT (Rasch Unit) Scale—a stable measurement, like inches on a ruler, that covers all grades.

Because the measurement is reliable and accurate, RIT scores serve as an essential data point in a student's learning plan; educators can see their precise learning level and respond accordingly.

Below are the spring 2023 MAP scores expressed in percentage of students who scored At or Above Average (per MAP Grade Report) in math and reading.

Grade	Spring 2023 Reading	Spring 2023 Math
K	84%	88%
1st	84%	90%
2nd	92%	84%
3rd	78%	85%
4th	94%	85%
5th	82%	61%
6th	80%	68%
7th	84%	59%
8th	92%	80%

86%
of our K-8 grade
students scored at
or above grade
level in Reading

78%
of our K-8 grade
students scored at
or above grade
level in Math

90%
of our 6th-8th
graders scored at
or above grade
level in Science

Curriculum

In addition to core classes such as math, English, and science Holy Name's curriculum includes:

Christ in Me Class

Stream Activities

Music Instruction

Drama

Leadership Class

Public Speaking



High School Credit

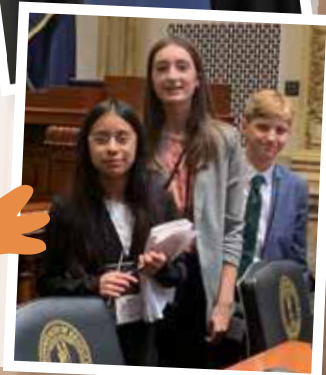
Middle school students have the opportunity to earn high school credit in English I and Algebra I depending on the course path they choose. Memorial High School, Henderson County High School, and Owensboro Catholic High School are the three high schools our students advance to as ninth graders.



Fun Facts, Experience & Expertise

- 85% of certified faculty have earned a Master's degree or higher
- Average years of professional experience, 15
- 16 HNS employees are alumni
- Educator awards recipients, 8
- National presentations, 11

“According to the National Catholic Education Association, Catholic Schools have a 99 percent high school graduation rate. 85% of Catholic school graduates go to college.”



HNS Achievements

KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSOCIATION

Middle grades students participate in The Kentucky Youth Assembly (KYA) which is a 3-day experimental learning program in which students serve as part of a model state government. KYA offers students the opportunity to learn about a wide variety of issues, develop critical thinking skills, and articulate their beliefs while engaging constructively with their peers from around the Commonwealth. Students research, write, present, and debate bills. In December of 2023, Mason Raney received Outstanding Delegate, Jasmine Nicolas received Outstanding Speaker, Paxden Beck won the KYA 7th grade governor election, Owen Gillham won the KYA 8th grade governor election, and 3 of 4 HNS bills were passed and signed into law by the KYA governor.

ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Elementary Cross Country - 3rd Place City Meet
- 8th Boys Basketball - Diocesan Champions
- Girls Tennis - Undefeated League Champions
- Girls Soccer - Undefeated Conference Champions
- Girls Soccer- Undefeated City Champions
- Boys Soccer - City Runner Up
- Golf - City Runner Up
- Cheer - Valentines Classic Champions
- Cheer- Small Division Regional Champions
- Rotary Field Day - 2nd Place
- 4/5 Girls Basketball - 2nd place, City tournament



DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Each year the Daughters of the American Revolution conducts the American History Essay Contest to encourage young people to think creatively about our history and to learn about our history from a new perspective. This year's local chapter contest winner was HNS 8th grade student Anna Gavin. Anna's essay will advance to the next level within the Daughters of the American Revolution National Society.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

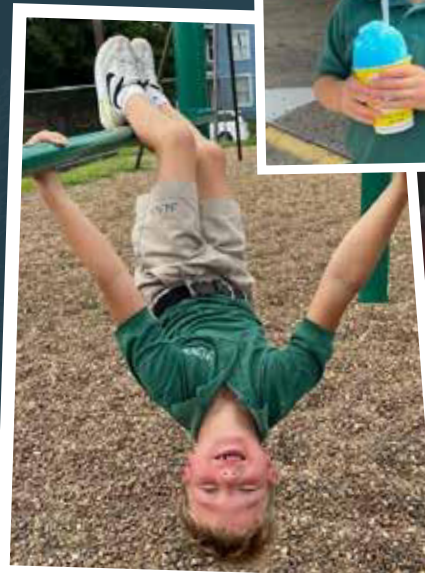
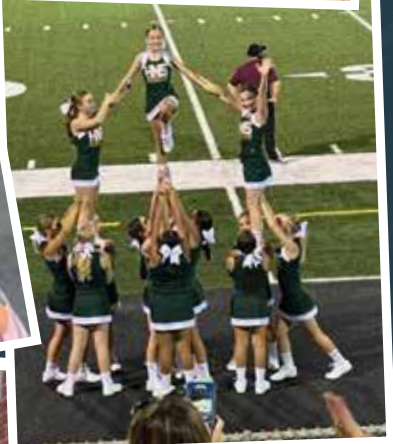
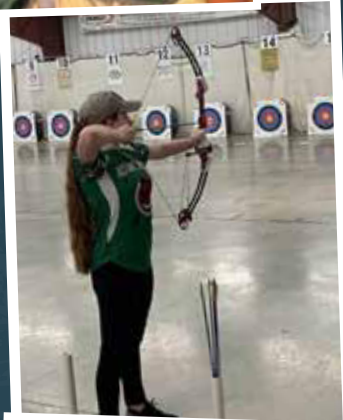
- **2024 District Elementary:**
 - Overall 3rd Place
 - Quick Recall 3rd Place
 - FPS 2nd Place
 - Science 5th Place
 - Social Studies 2nd Place
 - Language Arts 1st & 2nd Place
 - Arts & Humanities 1st Place
 - Composition 2nd Place
- **2024 District Middle School:**
 - Overall 2nd Place
 - Quick Recall 3rd Place
 - FPS 2nd Place
 - Science 2nd Place
 - Social Studies 2nd & 3rd Place
 - Language Arts 1st, 3rd, & 4th Place
 - Composition 1st & 4th Place
- **2024 Regional Middle School:**
 - Overall 3rd Place
 - FPS 3rd Place
 - Science 3rd Place
 - Social Studies 3rd Place
 - Language Arts 2nd Place



Cardinal 10

1. We are Christ-like.
2. We are shepherds.
3. We use our time, talent, & treasure for God.
4. We give respect - saying "yes ma'am," "no sir," "thank you" & speaking when spoken to.
5. We are always honest, no matter the circumstances.
6. We surprise others by performing random acts of kindness.
7. We accept responsibility & do not make excuses for our failures.
8. We learn from our mistakes, correct them & move on.
9. We are humble when we win; we maintain self-control when we lose.
10. We never quit & always finish the race.

The Cardinal Ten is a list of ten rules or standards by which Holy Name School Cardinals conduct themselves. All members of the school family: students, faculty, staff, parents, etc. are expected to live by these standards.



a dozen reasons to choose *Holy Name School*

At Holy Name School the culture is such that you instantly feel welcome and at home. Parents and children enjoy their time at the school and look forward to being here. It's a place where you leave your kids each day with no worries, knowing that their needs; body, mind, and spirit are being met.

