

St. Augustine Catholic School

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Our Mission Statement:

"Since parents are the primary educators of their children, our mission is to assist parents in fulfilling their right and duty to educate and form basic religious attitudes, thus preparing the child to develop into a mature Christian witness."

Parents who choose St. Augustine to assist their efforts to educate their child are investing in their child's future by providing a lifelong gift. A solid academic program infused with Catholic values and supported by parents will go a long way to help children develop into mature Christian witnesses.

History:

St. Augustine School had a humble beginning back in 1865. St. Augustine parishioners built their first school which was a small 26' X 36' wooden structure.

In 1875, the central downtown lots were purchased and a new school was built. In 1878, the Notre Dame Sisters arrived to take over the school. In 1924, the old structure was torn down and a new modern school was erected. The present school was dedicated in April of 1925.

In the 1920's, the school cafeteria was moved and a new kitchen and additional classrooms were built on the second floor over the gymnasium. This facility, along with a modular building located across Clinton Street now serves students in pre-school through 8th grade.

General Information:

St. Augustine School serves the children of the parish but the diverse enrollment includes Catholics and students of other faiths from Napoleon, Liberty Center, McClure, Florida, Holgate, Wauseon, Archbold, Malinta, and Hamler.

Students are offered a varied curriculum in pre-school through 8th grade with limited class size. Our students' discipline and leadership skills are known in the community and they continue to exhibit these qualities as they continue on through high school and college. St. Augustine students excel academically as they continue their education through high school and college, with a good percentage earning honors.

St. Augustine School is in a unique position as it is the only Catholic School in Henry County.

Our well-maintained facility offers a safe place for our children to learn and play.

We offer nutritionally sound hot lunches.

We have computers in every classroom and each room is wired for the internet. We also have a computer lab and weekly technology classes for grades K-8.

An extended day program is in place. Parents may drop children at school as early as 7:00 a.m. and/or pick them up as late as 6:00 p.m. Children are cared for by a licensed teacher.

We are very proud of our music program of vocal and instrumental instruction, having a very high percentage of our students involved in band. We have 2 musical productions each school year.

There is never a lack of opportunity to participate in activities at St. Augustine School.

- The school's Student Council involves students in grades K to 8 with officers from the 7th & 8th grades providing leadership.
- Students have opportunities to participate in interscholastic sports competitions in football, track, volleyball, and basketball. These are organized through the St. Augustine Athletic Club.
- Because we believe that students learn better when they experience and do things, field trips to the Toledo Zoo, the Toledo Art Museum, theater, and more are regularly scheduled. Bi-annual trips for the upper classes also take place. These include trips to Columbus to visit the state capitol and an extended trip to Washington, D.C.
- Students take part in spelling and writing competitions and an annual academic fair is held.
- Service at St. Augustine is ongoing. Students take part in the St. Jude's Math-a-thon, Jump Rope for Heart, Cancer Society's Mini-Relay for Life, visits to the Senior Center and area Nursing homes to provide entertainment.

Benefits:

"The Catholic school finds its true justification in the mission of the Church: it is based on a philosophy in which faith, culture, and life are brought together into harmony. Through it, the local church evangelizes, educates, and contributes to the formation of a healthy and morally sound lifestyle among its members." - The Religious Dimension of Education in a Catholic School

Reasons to choose St. Augustine School:

- Christian based curriculum

- School Masses are held every Friday morning and all are welcome to join us and share in the love, praise, and adoration the children have for our Lord
- Low student/teacher ratio
- High percentage of our graduates receive honors in their high schools
- Full vocal and instrumental music program
- Sports program for boys and girls
- Speech teacher and LD teacher are available for students who need these services
- All day/every day kindergarten
- Pre-school for children ages 3 & 4
- Extended day (latch-key) program available on school days from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Other St. Augustine facts:

- St. Augustine School is accredited by the Ohio Catholic Schools Accrediting Association
- All teachers are fully licensed by the state of Ohio
- Students are transported daily by city and county buses
- Tuition is comparable to Diocesan averages
- Tuition assistance is available

Tuition Assistance:

Tuition assistance is available for those who need the extra help in order to provide a Catholic education for their children. For information, please call the school. We welcome donations from people who would like to help us in providing the tuition assistance. You may make a donation through the school office, put it in an envelope in the Sunday collection and clearly mark it "for St. Augustine School Tuition Assistance," or call and tell me that you can help. We keep a list of people who wish to donate WHEN we need it. Your name will go on the list and we'll contact you when a need arises

Fund Raising:

An annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Auction, a 300 Club (50/50), and an annual golf outing are held. Other events and fundraisers take place from time to time.