

# Improving Student Learning for Catholic Schools

## Appendix C-2 School Surveys – Parent Survey

Please circle the grades in which your children are enrolled:

PK   K   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8

How many years have your children attended this school? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have children who have previously graduated from the school? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, how well do you feel they were prepared for high school? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please rank the reasons you send your children to this school. #1 is your most important reason for sending your child. You may add other reasons in the space provided.

Academic Excellence	
Catholic Faith Formation	
Catholic Values	
Discipline	
Location	
Safe Environment	
Other:	
Other:	

What do you like best about the school? \_\_\_\_\_

What improvements would you like to see for the school? \_\_\_\_\_

What makes this school a Catholic school? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Curriculum and Instruction

How would you rate the education your children are receiving in the following subjects:  
(HE = Highly Effective; E = Effective; SE = Somewhat Effective; IE = Ineffective)

Subject	HE	E	SE	IE
Religion				
Family Life				
Mathematics				
Reading/Literature				
English/Language Arts				
Science				
Social Studies				
Computers				
Music				
Physical Education				
Art				
Other Languages				

If improvement is needed, please list your suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you think the academic demands of the school on your child are:

\_\_\_ too much                      \_\_\_ too easy                      \_\_\_ about right

Comments? \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you think the homework demands of the school on your child are:

\_\_\_ too much                      \_\_\_ too easy                      \_\_\_ about right

Comments? \_\_\_\_\_

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What could be added to the curriculum to help meet your child's needs? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Catholic Faith Formation

**My child/children is/are receiving a solid religious education in the following ways:**

Component	Yes	No	Somewhat	N/A
Providing an atmosphere in which Christian values and attitudes are emphasized and practiced.				
Teaching of basic facts of the faith				
Providing prayer opportunities				
Providing Scripture experience				
Teaching human development and Christian sexuality				
Making holy days and the Church Year meaningful				
Providing liturgies for children with student input				
Providing preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist				
Providing opportunities for parents to help their children grow in faith				
Providing opportunities for parents to grow in their own faith				

Would you like to see anything added to the religious education component of your children's education?

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## Catholic Identity

**My child/children is/are receiving a solid religious education in the following ways:**

Component	Yes	No	Somewhat	N/A
The school has a mission statement and philosophy statement which indicate the integration of the Roman Catholic Faith into all aspects of school life.				
The school provides regular opportunities for the school community to experience prayer and the Sacraments.				
The school's Religion curriculum is faithful to Roman Catholic Church teachings.				
Teachers are certified as catechists by the Arch/diocese.				
The school maintains an active partnership with parents whose fundamental concern is the spiritual and academic education of their children.				
The school has a service-oriented outreach to Church and the civic community.				
The school makes frequent use signs, sacramentals (e.g., rosaries, crucifixes, etc.), traditions and rituals of the Roman Catholic Church.				
School personnel are actively engaged in bringing the Good News of Jesus into the total educational experience.				

Comments? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Teachers and Staff**

Do you feel that the teachers and staff are easily accessible?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

Should the occasion arise, would you feel comfortable discussing a problem with the principal or faculty member?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

In our school, do teachers provide frequent feedback to students and parents concerning academic progress?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

**School Environment**

Do you feel that the morale of students in our school is good?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

Do most of the students and teachers in our school respect each other and have good working relationships?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

Do most of the parents and teachers in our school respect each other and have good working relationships?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

What do you think about the discipline in the school? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Communications**

Do you read the school bulletin?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

Do you feel that the school bulletin keeps you informed of the school's activities?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

Do your children inform you of school activities or problems?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

How could your school better communicate with you? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Plant and Facilities**

Is your school kept neat and clean for your children?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

Do you feel that your children are safe at your school?

Yes                       No                       Somewhat

What are the positive features of our physical plant and facilities?

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What would you like to see improved? \_\_\_\_\_

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**General**

Do you have any general comments or suggestions about how the school can improve student learning focused on high achievement of all students? \_\_\_\_\_

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