

Happening in 2022-2023

- We will continue our work on further implementing Social-Emotional learning. We are very excited to have hired Mrs. Britt Rose as a part-time school counselor. We will also continue working with Till360 and Joe Beckman and Curt Slater. (School Strategic Plan—SEL implementation)
- We are also very excited to have Mrs. Rose on staff as the Intervention and Gifted & Talented Teacher.
- Staff will continue to use the scheduled early dismissal days for professional development time. (School Strategic Plan)
- Mrs. Meredith Lhotka will be joining our staff as the 2nd Grade teacher for the 2022-2023 school year.
- We will continue to have 15 students enrolled daily in our BEGIN Preschool Program.
- St. Mary's School will undergo some professional Strategic Planning to help us plan for larger future projects.
- Learning standard tracking and evaluation will continue by teachers during the 2022-2023 school year. (School Strategic Plan)
- We will continue to work on recruiting new families/students to increase enrollment. (School Strategic Plan)

We are so very humbled and grateful for the incredible generosity and support shown to our school this past weekend. Our annual auction was a success and wouldn't have been possible without all of you!



1 Thessalonians 1:2. "We give thanks to God always for you all."



ST. MARY'S

CATHOLIC SCHOOL - MORRIS, MN

2021-2022

State of the School Report/Report to Stakeholders



St. Mary's School Board of Education

Who We Are:

- 8 council members
- Each person serves a 3-year term with rotations of 1/3 of the membership each year
- Current members: Bryan Herrmann, Katie Boyle, Megan Copeland, Suzie Maulfair, Nathan Roy, Tera Kleespie, Principal and Pastor

What We Do:

- Work directly with principal
- Represent the school to Parish Leadership
- Advise on school policies and budget
- Advise strategic plan
- Assist in fundraising events
- Help with alumni relations efforts

Parent Involvement Opportunities

Parent involvement is very much encouraged here at St. Mary's School. It helps enhance our school community through community building events. The following events are all opportunities for parent involvement:

- *Back to School Night
- *Staff Appreciation
- *Dinner Auction Event
- *Shake Shack Fundraiser
- *Christmas Program Reception
- *Book Fair
- *Grandparents Day Reception
- *Box Tops
- *Seder Meal
- *Club's Choice Fundraiser
- *Fish Fry
- *Pancake Breakfasts
- *Cash Calendar Fundraiser
- *Parade of Lights

Enrollment

Our enrollment for the 2021-2022 School Year was 100 students. That is up from 87 students in the 2020-2021 school year. We have a graduating class of 11 students. Our enrollment numbers will hopefully stay near the same for the 2022-2023 school year. We do have a couple of families that will be moving out of the state.

St. Mary's School Endowment Fund Golf Tournament Fundraiser

Friday, August 19, 2022
 Pomme De Terre Golf Course
 Morris, MN



What happened in 2021-2022??

It was another year of some unknowns due to still dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. Thankfully by mid-March we were pretty much back to normal. We were in person for learning the whole school year. We had a wonderful school year!

We had four brand new teachers this year. Ms. Morgan Rohloff was hired for second grade. Mrs. Mary Henriksen was hired for fourth grade, Ms. Kari Didier for fifth grade, and Mr. Jebediah Sanford for sixth grade.

We increased our BEGIN preschool program from 10 students to 15 and hired a pre-school paraprofessional.

The Sixth Grade Class got to attend Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center for a week in February. It was a great group of students and parents that attended!

We worked closely with Till360, Curt Slater and Joe Beckman on implementing Social Emotional Learning into our curriculum.

Our Catholic Faith and Christian values remained at the forefront of our mission this year. Our school-wide theme was Look Up, Child
"Look to the Lord and His Strength; Seek His face always" - 1 Chronicles 16:11

We got 25 new Chromebooks this school year. More of our older ones were in need of updating. We have 1-to-1 Chromebooks in grades 1 through 6.

Mrs. Darla Loher has decided that after 35 years of being the administrative assistant here at St. Mary's. She will retire at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. She will be greatly missed!

We had a very successful Annual Dinner and Auction! It was held in person this year! It was such a wonderful night of community building and celebrating our amazing school!

Several Community Service Projects were completed during this school year!

We met our \$25,000 goal for the Schulze Family Foundation Challenge Grant!

We ended the year with a balanced budget!

