



DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
FORMING hearts. INFORMING minds. TRANSFORMING lives.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



**FARMING
THE FAITH,
GROWING
IN CHRIST.**



MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT, STACIE L. STUEBER

December 2025

Dear Friends of Catholic Education,

As we reflect on the past year in the Catholic schools of the Diocese of Bridgeport, we are reminded that growth, both academic and spiritual, does not happen by chance. Growth requires intention, care, patience, and faith. This year's theme, Farming the Faith – Growing in Christ, invites us to reflect on the sacred work entrusted to our schools: preparing hearts and minds to receive the Gospel, nurturing each child's God-given potential, and trusting that God will bring the growth.

Catholic education is, at its core, a ministry of cultivation. Each day, our educators prepare the soil by creating classroom environments rooted in faith, belonging, and high expectations. They plant seeds through rigorous instruction, prayer, and witness; and they tend the field through ongoing formation, innovation, and care for the whole child. This sacred work takes many forms across our diocese, from classrooms where faith and learning are seamlessly unified to the partnerships with families, parishes, and benefactors who share in this mission. While each school community is unique, all are united by a common purpose: forming disciples and scholars who grow in wisdom, compassion, resilience, and a deepened relationship with Christ, prepared to serve the world with faith and purpose.

This annual report highlights the ways our schools continue to grow, through academic achievement, faith formation, service, and innovation, while also acknowledging the real and ongoing need for support. Some fields may require more tending, not because they are less fruitful, but because they call us to deeper accompaniment. Through tuition assistance, special education services, and mission-driven investment, we strive to ensure that Catholic education remains accessible to all families who seek it.

I am deeply grateful to our principals, teachers, staff, pastors, parents, and benefactors who labor faithfully in this shared work. Your dedication and generosity make it possible for our schools to flourish. Together, we continue to farm the faith with hope, trusting in God's promise that when we plant and water with love, He will bring the growth.

May God continue to bless our schools, our families, and all those who support the mission of Catholic education.

Sincerely,

Stacie L. Stueber
Superintendent of Schools
Diocese of Bridgeport



DATA DRIVEN PRACTICES FOSTERING STUDENT GROWTH

The Diocese of Bridgeport adopted a new online assessment tool, i-Ready. The unanimous decision was based on superior level of data generated, the ease of accessibility, and high level of student engagement.

Teachers and administrators are trained to analyze data effectively. This involves identifying trends, strengths, and areas for improvement in student performance. By interpreting the data, educators can pinpoint specific learning gaps and adjust their instructional methods accordingly.

Below are the test scores from our online assessment tool, which highlight where our students fall nationally. The results reveal that our students continue to test above the national average in Language Arts and Reading, but we recognized that our math scores weren't reflecting the level of engagement we strive for. This led us to transition to i-Ready, a more personalized and interactive tool, to better support our students' growth and success overall.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Math 48%
Reading 54%

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Math 53%
Reading 58%



FAITH AND SERVICE

A strong emphasis is placed on community service, with students participating in charitable initiatives that help them develop empathy and a sense of responsibility. Students are encouraged to participate in various service projects, such as food drives, environmental clean-ups, and outreach programs for local charities. These initiatives not only enhance learning but also instill a deep sense of social responsibility and compassion, aligning with the teachings of the Church.



VIBRANT COMMUNITIES OF LEARNING

Classrooms prioritize not only rigorous academic standards but also the spiritual and moral development of students. The curriculum is infused with Catholic values, encouraging students to explore their faith while pursuing knowledge. This dual approach fosters well-rounded individuals who are prepared for both academic and spiritual challenges.

100% The percentage of schools who have implemented Education In Virtue throughout their curriculum.

63,000 The number of service hours of our high school students participated in last year.



Our students represent
70
cities and towns in and around Fairfield County



98%
The percentage of our High School students that go onto college or the military.



100%
The percentage of students who graduate from our High Schools.



100%
The percentage of our schools that are fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.



27
Innovation and Leadership Grants totaling
\$150,000



More than
\$91M
in college scholarships were awarded to
900
graduating seniors from our Diocesan High Schools.



1319
students awarded
\$2,851,855
in tuition assistance



DIOCESAN AND DIOCESAN SPONSORED SCHOOLS

BETHEL

St. Mary School
www.stmarybethelct.org

BRIDGEPORT

Catholic Academy of Bridgeport
www.catholicacademybridgeport.org

St. Andrew Academy
St. Ann Academy
St. Augustine Academy
St. Raphael Academy

Kolbe Cathedral Preparatory High School
www.kolbecaths.org

DANBURY

St. Gregory the Great School
www.saintgregoryschool.org

St. Joseph School
www.sjsdanbury.org

St. Peter School
www.stpeterschooldanbury.org

Immaculate High School
www.immaculatehs.org

FAIRFIELD

Assumption Catholic School
www.assumptionfairfield.org

St. Thomas Aquinas School
www.stasonline.net

St. Catherine Center for Special Needs
www.stcatherineacademy.org

GREENWICH

Greenwich Catholic School
www.gcscct.org

NEWTOWN

St. Rose of Lima School
www.stroseschool.com

NORWALK

All Saints Catholic School
www.allsaintsnorwalk.com

RIDGEFIELD

St. Mary School
www.smsridgefield.org

STAMFORD

Catholic Academy of Stamford
www.catholicacademystamford.org

Cardinal Kung Academy
www.cardinalkungacademy.org

STRATFORD

St. James School
www.stjamesstratford.org

St. Mark School
www.stmarkschool.org

TRUMBULL

St. Catherine of Siena School
www.stcatherinesienatrumbull.org

St. Theresa School
www.sttheresaschooltrumbull.org

St. Joseph High School
www.sjcadets.org

INDEPENDENT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS LOCATED IN THE DIOCESE

FAIRFIELD

Fairfield College Preparatory School
www.fairfieldprep.org

Notre Dame Prep
of Sacred Heart University
www.notredame.org

GREENWICH

Sacred Heart Greenwich
www.shgreenwich.org

NORWALK

Regina Pacis Academy
www.reginapacisacademy.org

STAMFORD

Mater Salvatoris Preparatory School
www.stamford.matersalvatoris.org

Villa Maria School
www.villamariaschool.org



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SEEDS OF GROWTH

Students enrolled in
Catholic Schools in the
Diocese of Bridgeport

5034

Students enrolled in
our 20 Elementary
Schools and 1 Special
Needs School

1484

Students enrolled in
4 Diocesan Sponsored
High Schools

2506

Students enrolled in
6 Independent
Catholic Schools

