



# Saint Patrick Catholic School

## School Profile 2020-2021

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### SCHOOL

Saint Patrick Catholic School is a private school in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Our Goal is to guide and nurture your child's academic, social and spiritual development. Embracing the Catholic faith, we foster respect and kindness, we encourage individualism and inspire leadership. Saint Patrick Catholic School offers kindergarten through 8th grade education.

Enrollment: 200  
Faculty and Staff: 30

Average Class Size: 20  
Technology ratio: 1 to 1

### MISSION

The Mission of Saint Patrick Catholic School, rooted in the richness of Catholic tradition, is to provide a Christ-centered learning environment, leading our students to do God's will in this world. Recognizing that our students are unique creations of God that are blessed with special talents and gifts, we strive to empower them to become active and creative 21st century learners.

### ACCREDITATION

Saint Patrick Catholic School is accredited by the Virginia Catholic Education Association.

### ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Saint Patrick's operates on a trimester schedule. The curriculum is designed to prepare students for success in high school and beyond. Student performance exceeds national averages on standardized tests. All students are given the support they need to work to their greatest potential. Title I services are available for students who qualify. Our extra-curricular program includes Advanced Math, Physical Education, Drama, Visual Arts, Music, Band, Foreign Language, and Technology.

### FAITH FORMATION

As a Roman Catholic school, we firmly believe in sharing the Catholic faith, traditions and vision of our Church by providing our students with a Christ-centered, integrated curriculum. In addition to daily religious education classes for all grades, we provide a variety of school and parish activities that enable students to learn the Good News of Jesus Christ and grow in their personal relationship with the Lord. From special service projects, helping the poor in our area, or standing up for life at the annual March for Life in DC, we are dedicated to the notion that what we learn in our religion classes needs to be lived in our community.

\*Weekly Mass

\*Monthly Rosary

\*Monthly Adoration & Divine Mercy Chaplet

\*May Crowning

\*Advent Services

\*Reader training for Mass (grades 4-8)

\*Altar Server Training (grades 3-8)

\*Weekly visits from our parish clergy

\*Sacramental Preparation

\*Stations of the Cross (Lent)

## STUDENT LIFE

Our students have access to many challenging experiences and opportunities for leadership.

- \*Middle School Electives
- \*Student Government Association
- \*Student Ambassadors
- \*National Junior Honor Society
- \*Destination Imagination
- \*Junior Achievement
- \*Newspaper Club
- \*Science Fair

## ATHLETICS

Athletics is an important part of life at Saint Patrick Catholic School. Our goal is to help develop our students as athletes, leaders and Children of God. We are members of the Virginia Catholic Athletic Conference (VCAC) and participate in both conference and out-of-conference games before finishing each season with a conference tournament. The sporting programs offered at Saint Patrick Catholic School include soccer, field hockey, basketball and cheerleading.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Our students reflect on God's calling to care for one another. All classes participate in service opportunities throughout the year as they develop into confident servant leaders.

## HOURS OF OPERATION

The school hours are from 8:10 a.m. until 3:10 p.m. Students may arrive in the morning between 7:50-8:10 a.m.

## EXTENDED DAY

The school offers an extended day program when school is in session for students who are currently enrolled in the school's academic program.

## UNIFORMS

Uniforms are mandatory. We offer Fall/Spring and Winter Uniform, and a once-weekly Physical Education uniform.

## HIGH SCHOOL MATRICULATION

Our students matriculate to Catholic, private and public high schools in the Fredericksburg and surrounding areas. The rigor they receive at Saint Patrick Catholic School allows our students to be successful students at the top of their High School classes.