



Faith Learning Living



*"The question is not how far,
but do we possess the spiritual fortitude,
the depth of faith, to go as far as necessary"*

– Class of 2013

2012 - 2013 ANNUAL REPORT

*Train up a child in the way he
should go, And even when he is
old he will not depart from it.*
(Proverbs 22:6)



MISSION:

Christ is the reason for our school. He is the unseen but ever present teacher in our classrooms. He is the model for our faculty and the inspiration of our students.

CLASS OF 2013



Scholarships

Offered: \$1,520,660

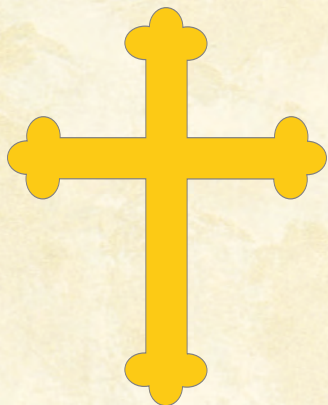
Number of
Students: 37

Scholarships

Accepted: \$866,210

College Destinations:

University of Arkansas, University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton, Lyon College, University of Central Arkansas, Arkansas Tech University, University of Arkansas Fort Smith, Bethany College, Hendrix College, University of St. Mary



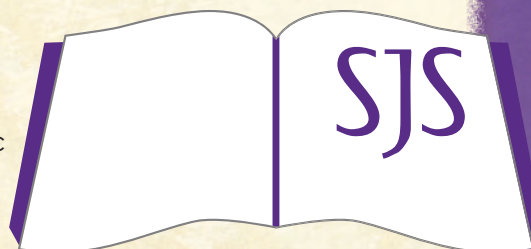
FAITH:

We integrate religious truth and values into core curriculum to enhance the faith formation of our students as they seek God throughout their lives.



LEARNING:

Using contemporary teaching techniques, technology, and the wisdom of our faculty, we offer quality academic programs aimed at preparing our students for success as they develop into community leaders.



LIVING:

We foster personal moral development and social consciousness in our students, guiding them in transforming the Gospel into action. Through a service-oriented curriculum, we promote social justice, the dignity of human life, and an active life in the catholic community and world.



WHO
WE ARE

OUR TOP 10 QUALITIES

- Kindergarten—12th Grade Catholic School
- Encourage Religious Vocations
- Family—Prayerful and Supportive
- Christ-centered
- Strong Academics
- Deeply Experienced to Prepare for Faith and Life, Not Just Academic Excellence
- Parental Involvement
- Service-oriented
- Multiple Extracurricular Activities
- Love Students and Remain Connected to Them

CORE VALUES

For by grace you have been saved
through faith. And this is not your
own doing; it is the gift of God.
(Ephesians 2:8)

FAITH



- All Saints Day
- 7th Grade Parent Panel
- 7th and 8th Grade CASA Christmas Project
- Kindergarten ABC's of Christmas
- Kindergarten Way of the Cross
- 3rd Grade Saint Reports
- 1st Grade Baptism Demonstrations
- Ash Wednesday
- Catholic Schools Week
- 5th Grade Vocations Day at Subiaco
- Adopted Seminarians for Prayer
- 2nd Grade First Reconciliation and Communion
- 9th grade Confirmation
- Prayer Buddies
- Fridays with Father
- Justin Fatica *Hard as Nails* Presentation
- Middle School "Back to the Manger" Christmas Program
- 9th Grade Chastity/Purity Rings
- Mother's Day Treats
- Seminarian Pen Pals
- Catholic School Pen Pals

LEARNING



*Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance.
(Proverbs 1:5)*

- 2013 Battle of the Books Champions
- Middle School Digging Up Arkansas
- Spelling Bee
- 2nd Place National Academic Quiz Tournament
- 6th Grade Fairy Tale Remixes
- "My Favorite Character" Art Contest
- Culinary Arts
- 11th Grade "I Am From" Poems
- Chemistry Poker
- Arkansas History Tour of Little Rock Central



- Arkansas History Tour of National Historic Site in Fort Smith
- Holocaust Horror Poems
- Anatomy and Biology Dissections
- Gel Electrophoresis of DNA Samples
- "My Favorite Book" Art Contests
- 4th Grade Healthy Food Choices Lesson
- ACT English Scores Increased an Average of 1-7 Points
- 3D Cell Models
- Union Pacific Railroad Operation Lifesaver
- Weather Presentations
- Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast

- Geometry City Maps
- ABC Storybooks
- 2nd and 3rd Grade Election Voting
- 4th Grade Lessons on Drugs and Alcohol
- 35 Students Gained a Total of 253 Reading Levels
- 5 out of 7 3rd Graders Finished Reading Intervention at Expected Reading Level
- 5 Students Exited Reading Intervention During the Year
- 6th Grade Branch Out Paint Bar
- Electronic Story Boards Created



HIGHLIGHTS

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

(Romans 12:2)



ENRICHMENT

- Choosing to Excel Infant Care Program
- ArtRagin Cajun Drama Production
- Middle School and Elementary Book Fairs
- Grandparents Days
- Eco-Fest Ragdolls
- 3rd Grade Dr. Seuss Reading Day
- Christmas Cupcake Challenge
- St. Joseph Band
- Christmas Gingerbread Houses
- 100th Bazaar
- 1st Grade Sportsmanship/Teamwork Lessons
- Together We Read
- Family Movie Nights
- Chopped Challenge
- Elementary Choir Performance at State Capitol
- All Middle School Students Completed 26.2 Mile Marathon Goal for School Year



SERVICE

- Angel Tree Project
- \$500 Donation to Soul Food Café
- 3rd Grade Assist Preschool to Class
- Christmas Cards and Prayer Cards for Shut-ins
- Christmas Caroling at Nursing Homes
- Treats for W2W Retreat, CCM, RCIA, Parent's Night Out, Thanksgiving, and PTO
- Cut & Tie Blankets for Nursing Home Residents
- Gifts for Family in Need Through PSJCA Program
- Pennies for Pigs – Purchased 5 Pigs and Hive of Honey Bees for Heifer International
- Set up, Serving, and Clean-up for Bazaar Dinner, Hospitality Room, Endowment Dinner and HOOKS Dinner
- Flea Market Fun Nights
- Loose Change for Seminarians
- Food Drives
- Read to Feed
- Veteran's Day Service
- Recycling Reindeer
- Memorial Service for Officer Will McGary
- Valentine's Day Treats
- Toad Suck Daze Volunteering
- Collection and Wrapping Gifts for Fill the Boot Campaign



St. Joseph School's curriculum is aligned vertically and horizontally to state and national standards and is documented via on-line software and updated monthly. Instructional delivery strategies include: written, oral, digital stories, journaling, blogs, wikis, electronic presentations, interactive, and project-based. SJS student's SAT-10 scores are consistently above state and national averages.



- Religion Taught Daily
- Strong Emphasis on Basic Skills in Primary Grades
- K-2 Reading Intervention Specialist
- Resource and Speech Program
- Accelerated Reading K-6/Accelerated Math 4-6
- Family and Consumer Science Lab
- Spanish Lab
- Oral Communications Lab
- Technology Lab
- All Core Academic High School Courses
- College Preparatory/Honors Classes
- Concurrent Credit with University of Central Arkansas



TECHNOLOGY
INITIATIVES

Spring/Summer of 2013:

- Implementation of Wireless Infrastructure at Elementary, Middle School, High School, and Gym.
- Teacher Technology Boot Camp

2013-14 School Year:

- BYOT-Bring Your Own Technology
- iPad Project
- Chrome Book Carts
- Bi-Weekly Teacher Technology Collaboration
- Professional Training
- Student Led Project Based Learning Initiatives



THANK
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We thank St. Joseph H.O.O.K.S., St. Joseph School Endowment, and the Nabholz Foundation for their on-going support of our technology initiatives at SJS!

CURRICULUM

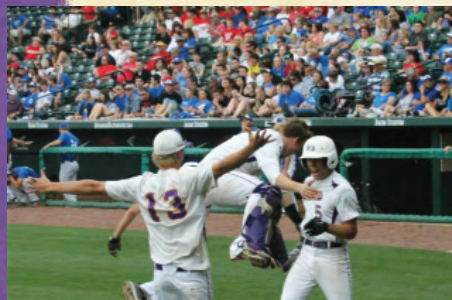
Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.
(Joshua 1:9)

CLUBS

- Art Club
- Band
- Battle of the Books
- Book Club
- Chess
- Choir
- Drama Club
- E.Y.E. Club
- FCCLA
- Junior Optimist Club
- National Honor Society
- National Junior Honor Society
- Octagon Club
- Quiz Bowl
- Running Club
- Safety Council
- Science Club
- Student Ambassadors
- Student Council



ACTIVITIES



ATHLETICS

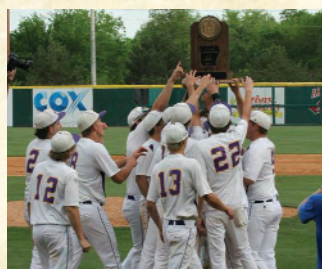
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Bowling
- Cheerleading
- Golf
- Pee Wee Basketball
- Soccer
- Softball
- Volleyball



PROGRAMS

- After School Care
- Edge Junior High Ministry
- Family Movie Nights
- Field Days
- St. Joseph High School Youth Group
- Summer Art Camp
- Summer Basketball Camp
- Summer Science Camp
- Talent Shows





ACADEMIC LEADERS

- Duke TIP Summer Studies Program: 8th Grade Acceptance
- 2nd Place Regional Arkansas Council of Teachers of Mathematics Exam
- National Merit Semifinalist
- EXPLORE Test: 4th Grade Student Scored in 92nd Percentile of 8th Grade Students

CREATIVE LEADERS

- 52nd Annual Young Arkansas Artist Exhibition Acceptance
- 2012 Chick and Sophie Mayor Memorial Duck Calling Contest Winner
- State and District Lions International Peace Poster Contest Winner
- 2012 1st Place Perry County Fair Junior Division Art
- 2012 Best of Show Perry County Fair Junior Division Art
- 2012 Best of Show Arkansas State Fair Junior Division Art

COMMUNITY LEADERS

- Eco-Fest Outstanding Leadership and Service Award
- Invitation to Faulkner County 2013 Fallen Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Service
- Boy Scout Eagle Scouts

SPORTS LEADERS

- 2012-2013 Champion 2A Regional Boys Basketball
- 2012-2013 Champion District Boys Basketball
- 2012-2013 Champion Conference Boys Basketball
- 2012-2013 Champion Knights of Columbus International Free Throw
- 2012-2013 2nd Runner-Up District Girls Basketball
- 2012-2013 2nd Place District Junior Girls Basketball
- 2012-2013 Champion 2A State Golf
- 2012-2013 2nd Place 2A Golf Individual Medalist
- 2012-2013 All-State Golf - 2 Players
- 2012-2013 Champion 1A, 2A, 3A State Boys Bowling
- 2012-2013 Champion State Bowling Individual Girls Medalist
- 2012-2013 2nd and 3rd Place State Bowling Individual Boys Medalists
- 2012-2013 Champion Conference Boys Baseball
- 2012-2013 Champion District Boys Baseball
- 2012-2013 Champion Regional Boys Baseball
- 2012-2013 Champion State Boys Baseball
- State Participants in Girls Volleyball, Girls Bowling, and Girls Softball
- All-American Cheerleading Nominations for Leadership and Technique



LEADERSHIP



St. Joseph School is a dynamic, K-12 parochial Catholic school in Conway, Arkansas committed to developing adults of faith and intelligence. Since 1879, families have chosen St. Joseph School for their child's education and religious formation.



HISTORY

1879

The Holy Ghost Fathers were granted permission to build a church in Conway to increase Arkansas Catholic population. St. Joseph School was established in May of 1879, following the dedication of St. Joseph Church earlier that year.

1896

The Sisters of St. Joseph de Cluny from France were the first teachers, but left in 1896 and the school closed. The school re-opened in 1898 with one lay teacher for all 30 students.

1898

The School Sisters of Notre Dame of Germany arrived and began teaching by the end of 1898. The Sisters of Notre Dame started the St. Joseph Bazaar in 1912 to raise money for school supplies.

1926

Instruction through 9th grade was first offered in 1926 and the school expanded during the next four years to include the 10th through 12th grades in 1930. The Sisters of St. Joseph du Puy arrived in 1971 to teach junior high and high school.

1976

St. Joseph Endowment and Charitable Trust was formed in 1976 to provide financial aid and support to the school.

1980

The Sisters of St. Joseph du Puy and all but two Sisters of Notre Dame left around 1980 and all nuns were gone at the end of the 1980-1981 school year. The 1981-1982 faculty consisted of all lay people.

1990

In the early-1990s, school uniforms were required. By the mid-1990s, the small school gym was transformed into a parish hall/school cafeteria, and a spacious Family Activities Center became the new gym.

2000

At the start of the 2000-2001 school year, the St. Joseph Elementary School, purchased by the Friends of St. Joseph, and later assumed by the St. Joseph Endowment, was dedicated. It now houses Pre-K through 3rd grade.

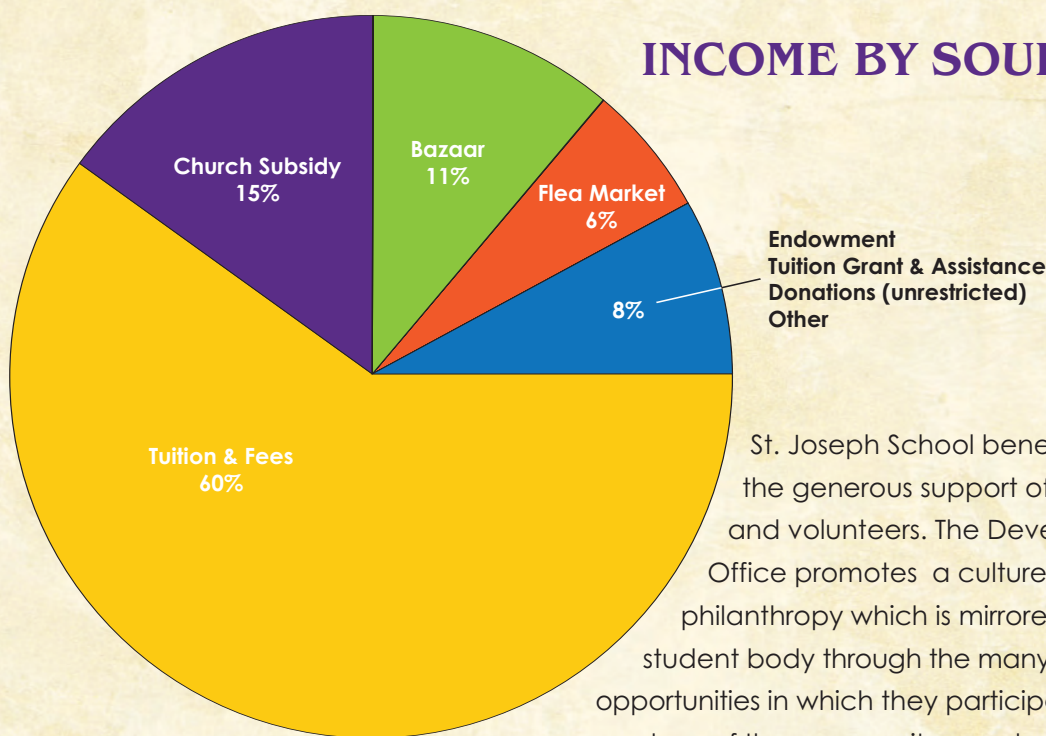
2010

In 2010, St. Joseph Church and School became a part of the Diocese of Little Rock.

STRUCTURE & FINANCIALS



INCOME BY SOURCE



St. Joseph School benefits from the generous support of donors and volunteers. The Development Office promotes a culture of philanthropy which is mirrored in the student body through the many service opportunities in which they participate. Each year, members of the community can show their support for exceptional Catholic college-preparatory education through giving opportunities such as: The Annual Giving Fund, Adopt-A-Student, Bazaar support, Flea Market donations, Endowment & Charitable Trust, and the H.O.O.K.S. – Helping Out Our Kids' School.

St Joseph School BAZAAR

St. Joseph School Bazaar, which began in 1912, is an annual fundraiser for the operation of St. Joseph School, raising necessary funds to keep tuition at a manageable cost. The Bazaar is held the first weekend of August and includes a Spaghetti Dinner, Box Lunches, 2-day Midway, and Silent & Live Auction event.

The **St. Joseph School Endowment** is a private, secular, non-profit fund established in 1976 to provide financial aid and support to St. Joseph School in Conway, Arkansas. During this past year the Endowment has given \$225,300+ in support to the school.

\$63,000	Unrestricted & \$23,005 Tuition Assistance/Books (reflected on Income by Source)
15,355	Maintenance/Beautification
8,780	Music/Art
3,930	Athletics
3,585	Teacher Bonuses/Training
3,600	Library/Technology/Other
104,139	Rent Value of the Elementary School Property

St. Joseph School
ENDOWMENT
Since 1976

Over the years, the Endowment has contributed a total value of \$2,667,301 to the school. This total value includes the use of the Elementary School property which is an asset of the Endowment.



The **St. Joseph Flea Market** is a volunteer-managed thrift store. Originally, the Flea Market was a part of the annual Bazaar. In 2002, it became a year-round business with its own location. All Flea Market proceeds are used toward the school. The Flea Market contributed \$200,000 towards the 2013-14 school budget to keep tuition rates lower for everyone.

St. Joseph H.O.O.K.S. (Helping Out Our Kids' School) is an annual fish fry with silent and live auctions to benefit St. Joseph School. This fundraiser is led by the Bob and Cheryl Imboden family and the Ray and Betty Luyet family. January 26, 2013 marked the 9th annual H.O.O.K.S. dinner, which contributed \$65,000 to the school!

\$ 20,000	Donated to the SJS Annual Fund for a New Bus
10,000	Upgrades to the Cafeteria
13,000	School Libraries
22,000	Security Systems, iPads Wireless Infrastructure

St. Joseph
H.O.O.K.S.

Individual Donors. Over the past 134 years, individual donors have greatly contributed to the success of St. Joseph School through prayer, time, and financial gifts. We acknowledge all individual donors at every level for their contribution to the mission of St. Joseph School. Individual investors are alumni, parents, grandparents, faculty and staff, St. Joseph Church parishioners, and community members.

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