



STATE OF THE SCHOOL REPORT 2025

Extraordinary Education,
Small School Environment,
Endless Possibilities.



Cathedral School



Our Mission

Cathedral School is a vibrant Preschool-8th grade Catholic school that teaches the Catholic faith and provides a learning environment where students can develop their full potential academically, socially and spiritually. Open to students of all faiths, Cathedral School fosters the role of the family as we work together to facilitate a well-rounded Catholic education that elevates academic excellence, promotes community service, and empowers students through the Fruits of the Spirit to follow the example and teachings of Christ.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Created in 2021 by the Diocese of Superior, the School Executive Board is responsible for supporting the Catholic identity, enrollment, marketing, human resources, capital improvements and fiscal management of the Catholic School.

Members:

- Ms. Pam Stangas
- Mr.Drew Liebaert
- Fr. Andrew Ricci
- Mrs. Jaime Samarziya
- Mrs. Colleen Tuura
- Mrs. Jessica Poskozim
- Mrs. Peggy Schoenfuss (Ex-Offio)

Save the Date

Watch for more information on each of these dates!

- Dec. 18 - Middle School Concert
- Dec. 19 - PreK & Elementary Concert
- Jan. 25-31 - Catholic Schools Week
- Feb. 17 - Mardi Gras



Enrollment & Outlook

Our students have grown this year, academically and spiritually. We have been blessed with a successful school year, dedicated hard working teachers, and phenomenal students. Our Cathedral family is stronger than ever!

Cathedral School saw growth again this year in the Pre-K program, as more parents of 3 and 4 year olds in our community are choosing a small school environment for their children. Grades K-3 continue to show a positive trend of increased enrollment over the last 6 years.

Grades 6-8 are not just a continuation — they're a transformation. Students take on leadership roles, deepen their faith, and are challenged to grow as independent learners. Students are well-prepared for the academic and social transition to high school. Graduates leave with a strong foundation of study skills, self-discipline, and spiritual maturity that enables them to thrive in new environments.

We are proud to be accredited with Wisconsin Religious & Independent Schools Accreditation (WRISA).



SERVICE PROJECTS

Service is woven into the culture of the school. From Preschool to 8th Grade, students engage in age-appropriate acts of stewardship — learning that leadership begins with humility, generosity, and a desire to care for others.

2024-2025 Service Projects:

- September - 2nd Grade Food Drive
- October - Socktober, Collect Socks for Casda, Ruth House
- November - Cards for Veterans
- December - Paper Product Drive for St. Vincent de Paul
- January - Cards for the homebound
- February - Douglas County Human Society
- March - 1st Grade Pop Tab Collection
- April - Rummage Sale
- May - Cards



OUR FAITH

Christian formation is the hallmark of the Catholic school. As such, Cathedral School provides a learning environment in which Christian values are integrated into all aspects of the school.

The philosophy of Cathedral School is founded on the principles of the Gospel message, Worship, Community, and Service. Cathedral School is committed to academic excellence and to teaching tolerance and social justice to the school community in order to evangelize for Christ. Based on these principles, the members of the faculty, staff, clergy, and parents are committed to teaching the whole child with love, understanding and compassion.

Cathedral School serves the Roman Catholic Parishes of Cathedral of Christ the King, St. Francis Xavier, Holy Assumption, St. Anthony in Superior, St. Anthony in Lake Nebagamon and St. William in Foxboro, and surrounding communities.



Our School Community

With a strong “family feel,” Cathedral fosters meaningful relationships among students, staff, and families that extend beyond the classroom. Every child is known and valued, creating a supportive environment where students can grow both academically and spiritually. Buddy programs connect older and younger students, nurturing leadership and friendship. Small-group learning ensures that each student receives the attention they need to thrive, while school-wide traditions—whether faith celebrations, service projects, or community events—strengthen the bonds that unite us. Together, these experiences build a culture of inclusion, care, and respect that reflects our shared commitment to faith, learning, and one another.



Outstanding Academics

As we continue to strive for excellence in education, it's important to highlight the role of MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) testing in our school. This innovative assessment tool is integral to our mission of fostering academic growth and personalized learning for every student.

- The test allows teachers to pinpoint individual strengths and areas needing improvement, ensuring that instruction is tailored to each student's needs.
- MAP testing helps identify learning gaps early, allowing for timely intervention. By addressing these gaps promptly, we can provide students with the support they need to succeed academically.
- MAP tests offer a standardized measure of academic performance, enabling comparisons across different schools and districts. This helps ensure educational equity and that all students have access to high-quality education.

In summary, MAP testing is a powerful tool that enhances educational outcomes and supports our commitment to student success. By continuing to utilize MAP tests, we are investing in the future of our students and ensuring that they receive the best education possible.

\$45,300

amount of
TUITION
ASSISTANCE
given for the
2025-2026 school year

87%

of alumni graduating
High School in 2025
received
SCHOLARSHIPS
including 2 Nelson
Scholars

27%

of alumni graduating
High School in 2025
received
MORE THAN ONE
SCHOLARSHIP

FINANCES & DEMOGRAPHICS

Cathedral School receives financial support through:

- Yearly subsidies from the six Catholic Parishes in the city of Superior, Foxboro, and Lake Nebagamon
- Through its Annual Appeal to alumni and other gifts
- Fundraising (Wish Upon a Star Dinner Auction & Read-a-Fun)
- Through student tuition

In addition, costs are kept down through our school family's volunteer service hours.

An annual budgeting process addressing tuition costs, staffing adjustments, and cost of living expenses is reviewed with the School Executive Board, then passed by the Cathedral of Christ the King Finance Council and Parish Council. Regular in-depth reviews are held to manage the school as a viable business and have a positive impact in our Catholic Community. Cathedral School has an eye on the future needs of our faith-based families. Fiscal prudence, growth of our endowment, and gifts from benefactors have kept Cathedral School in a solid financial state while simultaneously allowing significant strides in improving one-to-one technology for students, upgrading classrooms to meet current times, and ensuring the building's integrity for years to come.

Cathedral School Operations 2024-2025

Income:

Tuition & Programing	\$549,296.00
Tuition Assistance	\$64,715.00
Parish Subsidies	\$264,620.00
Development & Other	\$199,107.00

Total: \$1,077,738.00

Expense:

Wages & Benefits	\$897,271.00
Insurances	\$24,832.00
Programing & Office	\$108,606.00
Facility & Grounds	\$126,583.00

Total: \$1,157,292.00

