



Our students learn and grow as

Leaders and
Thinkers;
Grounded in Faith.

- 2-Year Old Preschool - 8th Grade
- 10:1 average student-teacher ratio
- Brand new 40,000 sq. ft. addition
- Full-Day Kindergarten
- Thinking curriculum and differentiated instruction
- Middle school collaboration with Harper College and Loyola Academy



Open House

Early Childhood, Elementary & Middle School

Janury 15: 7pm, January 22: 9am-3pm and January 25:10am-2pm

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Holy Family Academy Brings Catholic Education into the 21st Century

Laptop computers, wireless Internet access, middle school math, science and technology classes taught at a local community college, and a curriculum that places an emphasis on innovative thinking—spend a day at **Holy Family Catholic Academy** in Inverness and you'll quickly learn that this is not the Catholic-school experience you remember from your childhood.

“There is obviously a strong sense of Catholic identity, academic excellence, and school vitality at Holy Family Academy,” explains Dr. Gretchen Ludwig, the school’s principal. “Yet Holy Family’s approach to education is a shift from more traditional approaches. Our school is focused on implementing its motto **‘every child a leader, every child a thinker, every child grounded in faith’.**” To this end, the Academy embraces current “best practice” approaches to education that rely on **teaching critical thinking and developing problem-solving, decision-making and research skills.**

Holy Family believes what every parent already knows: **No two children are alike and no two children learn in the same way.** The Academy’s attractive 10:1 average student-teacher ratio allows the faculty more one-on-one time to understand each student’s learning style and motivation. All classes have multiple reading and math groups to challenge all students. **The goal is that each child is challenged and each child is successful.**

Holy Family’s philosophy is apparent in their **Full Day Kindergarten** program. Their environment offers a perfect balance between nurture and structure and students are welcomed from a variety of preschool and daycare experiences. With twice as much classroom time as half-day programs, students are well prepared for 1st grade, no matter where that experience takes place.

Holy Family’s inquiry method of teaching has gained recent recognition. In collaboration with **The United Nations Foundation - Nothing But Nets Campaign, Holy Family’s Malaria Awareness Curriculum** is being shared with thousands of teachers and students throughout the state of Illinois and the entire country. This curriculum integrates science and social studies and includes a social justice component which raises both awareness and funds to help eradicate malaria.

Educational innovation continues through the elementary grades into **Holy Family’s Middle School.** Equipped with their laptop computers, Holy Family’s middle school students meet three afternoons a week in nearby Harper Colleges’ modern, fully equipped classrooms and labs. “The Academy’s middle school focus on math, science and technology is preparing students for the rigors of high school, while their leadership and faith-based environment prepare them to be citizens of the world,” states Dr. Ludwig.

Readers are invited to learn more about Holy Family Academy by attending upcoming Open House Events on January 15 at 7pm, January 22 at 9am, or contacting Dr. Gretchen Ludwig at 847-907-3452 www.holyfamilycatholicacademy.net