

Mission Statement

Dedicated to providing a warm and welcoming culture of mutual respect and inclusion, Holy Family Catholic Academy (HFCA) meets and evangelizes individuals on their personal faith journeys. Teachers create and promote student-centered classrooms where students are appropriately challenged and prepared to succeed. Through a commitment to innovation, our educators equip our student community with 21st century skill sets that cultivate critical thinking and problem solving targeting real world issues. Catholic social teachings are a foundation for and integral to curricular activities. As servant leaders and stewards, HFCA is a catalyst in effecting meaningful change in Catholic education in our school, in the Archdiocese, and beyond.





HOLY FAMILY
CATHOLIC
ACADEMY
leaders, thinkers, grounded in faith

*An innovative and personalized opportunity
to learn and grow as a
leader, a thinker, and a person of faith.*

Statement of Philosophy

We, as parents and educators believe that:

- 1. School must provide an environment that prepares our students for their future, not our past. Students must have the knowledge and skills to use current and future technologies to be productive members of the 21st century.*
- 2. College readiness and readiness for life after college begins in elementary grades, particularly as it relates to math and language skills.*
 - a. Elementary math lays the foundation that develops advanced thinking.*
 - b. This is further refined as students move to middle school where more rigorous algebra and writing curriculum is emphasized.*
 - c. It is essential that students arrive at high school prepared for success.*
- 3. Teacher quality is crucial to student achievement.*
 - a. Ongoing professional development is valued and encouraged.*
 - b. Teachers engage students in active learning.*
 - c. Critical core content is mastered and applied to critical thinking and problem solving.*
 - d. Teachers are mentors and significant adults in the life of young adults.*
- 4. Our classrooms function as Small Christian Communities.*
 - a. Respect for each other is cultivated*
 - b. Classmates become a critical element of church with and for each other.*
 - c. As disciples, we are all learners trying to grow in Jesus' way of life.*
- 5. Discipline is a means of guiding, shaping and teaching our students in all settings and ultimately leads to self-discipline. Punitive methods of discipline such as corporal punishment are precluded under this model.*
- 6. Innovation is driven by the continuous evaluation and improvement of the academic and spiritual components of our curriculum.*
- 7. Collaborative leadership style is aligned with our mission. It values:*
 - a. Listening with an open mind,*
 - b. Respect for all members of the community, and*
 - c. The ability to share knowledge, power and credit.*
- 8. The basic cell of the church is the family. We work in partnership with parents to develop servant-leaders and instill Catholic social teachings in the lives of the students*