



ACADEMICALLY EXCELLENT CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN A 21ST CENTURY LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

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CURRICULUM

Saint Dominic School provides an academically excellent preschool through eighth grade education in a faith-filled environment. Students learn and practice their faith daily through classroom instruction, liturgy, prayer, and community service. High standards for student learning are upheld through a well-rounded, value-enriched curriculum that is reflected in standardized test scores and high school placement. Saint Dominic School follows the Diocese of Trenton Curriculum Guidelines, which are aligned to the National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools and the New Jersey Student Learning Standards. Teachers follow the scope and sequence of the curriculum to ensure the needs of every student are met and integrate the curriculum in order to maximize instructional time and facilitate the transfer of skills and understanding. Areas of study include the following:

- Social Studies
- Spanish
- Technology
- Music

- Art
- Library Research
- Character Education
- Physical Education/Health



FACULTY & STAFF

Saint Dominic School's administrators and faculty are dedicated professionals who are New Jersey State Certified and highly qualified in their respective fields. Faculty members serve on Diocesan-wide curriculum committees and share current concepts and instructional strategies with local schools. The faculty and staff is comprised of two administrators, thirty-two teachers, six paraprofessionals, a guidance counselor, a technology director, and two school secretaries as well as a kitchen staff and maintenance staff. Saint Dominic School also provides speech, supplemental instruction, compensatory education, occupational and physical therapy, and in-class support services through the Brick Public School District. Faculty accomplishments include:

- Who's Who Among American Teachers
- Distinguished Educator Award
- Excellence in Teaching Award
- New Jersey Governor's Teacher Recognition Award for Excellence in Teaching
- New Jersey Association for Educational Technology Executive Board Member
- New Jersey Leaders to Leaders Mentor
- New Jersey Non-Public School Teacher of the Year
- Outstanding Catholic Educator of the Year
- · Parochial School Teacher of the Year
- Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching Math & Science

- Saint Dominic Longevity Award
- Teacher Recognition Award
- Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Member
- Moderator of Department of Defense e-Cybermission National Championship Winning Team
- Disney Teacher of the Year Nominee
- Diocese of Trenton Science Curriculum Chairperson
- Diocese of Trenton Curriculum Member
- National Catholic Education Association Distinguished Teacher Nominee



PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Studies have shown that a child's success is enhanced by parental involvement. Saint Dominic School parents are given the opportunity to become involved and support the school's various programs and activities that benefit their children. This is accomplished through a Parent-Teacher Association and a school volunteer program. The Parent-Teacher Association encourages the participation of all school families and enhances the school program with assemblies, special projects, and funding to assist in maintaining an exceptional school environment. On a weekly basis, our Virtus certified parent volunteers assist the school's faculty and staff in the following areas:

- Art Room
- Cafeteria
- Computer Lab

- Extracurricular Activities
- Grant Writing
- Media Center

- Music Room
- Playground
- Sports



TECHNOLOGY

Saint Dominic School's technology program promotes learning in the 21st Century. Students are instructed in a curriculum aligned to national technology literacy standards in a fully-equipped Computer Lab. They receive lessons in computer programming, Internet safety, keyboarding skills, and productivity tools. In addition, the use of technology is integrated into all disciplines and classrooms. Students have access to an extensive array of educational technology resources, including the following:

- Robotics
- 3-D printing
- iPads
- Digital textbooks
- SMART Board™ interactive whiteboards and tables
- Videoconferencing and virtual field trips
- Closed-circuit TV News Studio
- Digital microscopes and scientific probes
- Students in fifth through eighth grade receive their own device to use during the school year



ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

Saint Dominic School provides its students with a range of activities for their personal, spiritual, and academic growth. Students are encouraged to pursue their creative talents in activities that foster well-rounded individuals. The following activities are offered to the students at Saint Dominic School:

- Altar Servers
- Art Club
- Band
- Bell Choir
- Boy/Girl Scouts
- Chess
- · Children's Choir

- Drama
- Liturgical Dance
- Religion Service
- Scholastic and Fine Arts Contests
- School Dances
- Show Choir

- Student Ambassadors
- Student Council
- T.V. News Team
- Technology Club
- Yearbook
- Young Scientists Club
- Youth Ministries



BLUE JAY SPORTS

Saint Dominic School Sports League offers an award-winning sports program to enhance students' athletic abilities. This program includes Varsity (seventh & eighth grades) and Junior Varsity (fifth & sixth grades) teams. The teams participate in parochial leagues comprised of schools in Monmouth and Ocean Counties. The Sports League also offers recreational sports for the wider Saint Dominic's Church community. Students may participate in the following teams if they meet academic and physical requirements:

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Bowling

- Cross Country
- Soccer
- Softball

Volleyball



Preschool Education

Saint Dominic's Preschool program strives to make each child's first experience of school a positive, faith-filled one. The curriculum is designed to build the child's self-esteem through a caring, nurturing environment that stimulates the natural desire to learn. The children are exposed to kindergarten readiness skills through developmentally appropriate activities. Christian values are integrated through prayer and participation in religious events. A strong teacher-parent relationship is encouraged and is facilitated through informal talks, telephone calls, conferences, and monthly newsletters and calendars. Saint Dominic School's Preschool follows the Diocese of Trenton Curriculum Guidelines. Areas of study include the following:

- Religion
- English Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- Self-Help

- Music
- Art
- Technology
- Physical Education
- Health and Safety
- Personal and Social Development

FAST FACTS

- Saint Dominic School is accredited through AdvancEd
- Preschool programs available for children ages 3 and 4
- Full-day kindergarten
- Saint Dominic's students consistently score above the national average on standardized testing
- Most graduates placed in honor courses at local parochial and public high schools
- Leader in educational technology
- Science Lab
- Media Center

- TV News Studio
- Computer Lab
- 1:1 iPad program
- Automated Weather System
- Award-winning sports program
- Active and supportive Parent-Teachers Association
- Transportation provided by Brick and Point Pleasant Boards of Education for students in grades K-8
- Affordable Before and After Care programs

