## Top 10 reasons to choose Frassati Catholic Academy

**1. Faith and Family** - Frassati Catholic Academy is rooted in developing students and families with morals and values inspired by the life and virtues of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, and the Beatitudes.

Through spiritual development in daily prayer, weekly liturgy and mission driven service, the Frassati Family works together as a supportive community of students, parents and staff to provide a spiritually rich environment.

**2.** Academics - Frassati Catholic Academy students are learning in a challenging academic environment that allows them to prepare for high school and beyond.

- Academically leveled classes
- Differentiated Materials
- Blended learning
- One-to-one Chromebooks for 4th-8th grade

**3. Financial Aid** - Frassati Catholic Academy strives to make Catholic education affordable for all families who seek it.

- <u>Tax Credit Scholarship (TCS)</u> These are scholarships made available based on donations from donors. These scholarships are need based, awarded on a first come first serve basis and can be awarded up to full tuition coverage.
- <u>Caritas Scholarships</u> are need based scholarships available to families who are new to Catholic education. Based on need, they can be awarded up to 50% of tuition.
- Frassati Catholic Academy provides need based financial aid for families. These awards are unfunded and are deductions from the school operating budget.

# **4. Staff** - Frassati Catholic Academy operates with a staff of 26. 14 full time classroom teachers 50% of whom hold advanced degrees or certifications.

In addition to the full time teaching staff, there are three members of the administrative team, 5 teaching specialists, 3 teaching assistants and an Academic and Enrichment teacher. 4 members of the teaching staff hold certifications in ESL.

### 5. Extended Day Program

Frassati Catholic Academy operates Extended Day programming (before and after care) at two locations: at Frassati Catholic Academy and at St. Mary of the Annunciation Academic building on the grounds of St. Mary of the Annunciation parish in Mundelein. The program is available 6:30am to 6:00pm on full days of school.

- The program fee is \$5 per hour/per child for time used and billed on the quarter hour.
- Drop in program no pre-registration required.

#### 6. Transportation

Frassati Catholic Academy in conjunction with Wauconda School District 118 operates bus routes to and from school for students that live within the Wauconda School District Boundaries.

Additionally, Frassati works with Durham Bus Services and operates two bus routes from area towns including Mundelein, and Round Lake.

#### 7. Hot Lunch

Frassati Catholic Academy works with FSP to provide a daily hot lunch option for students. FSP operates a free and reduced lunch program for those who qualify.

**8. Extra-Curricular Activities -** *Music, Missions, Sports and More.... Frassati Catholic Academy offers extracurricular sports and clubs for students of all ages.* 

- Athletics: Boys and Girls soccer, basketball, volleyball, cross country, and track
- Clubs:
  - Robotics: Students in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade participate in Robotics and have the opportunity to showcase around the county.
  - Missions: students in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade have the opportunity to be part of a missions group to lead service driven projects around the school and community.
  - Student Council: Students in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade have the opportunity to participate in student government.
  - National Junior Honor Society is open to students in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
  - Cooking, Art, Chess and Intramural sports are available to students in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
  - $\circ~$  Band is available to students in 4th-8th grade.

#### 9. Special Services

Frassati Catholic Academy in conjunction with District 118 work to serve students with diverse learning needs. Our Academic and Enrichment teacher works with staff and students to help meet the needs of students through individual or small group learning sessions.

#### 10. "Specials"

Frassati Catholic Academy offers a variety of specials classes for students weekly.

- Physical Education twice a week
- Art once a week
- Spanish
  - PK-5<sup>th</sup> (once a week)
  - $\circ$  6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> (3 times a week)
- Technology (K-3<sup>rd</sup>) once a week
- Library PK-5<sup>th</sup> once a week
- Music K-5<sup>th</sup> once a week