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FACT SHEET

OVERVIEW:

- Founded in 1907 by the Sisters of the Holy Union of the Sacred Heart.
- Staffed by dedicated and committed lay faculty.
- Accredited by the New England Association of Schools & Colleges.
- Programs offered for Nursery (3 years old program), Pre K (4 years old program), Kindergarten and Grades 1 - 5

FACULTY:

- Principal & Assistant Principal
- 4 Administrative Staff.
- 20 Full-time State-Certified Teachers
- Part-Time Music, Art, Library, Computer & Physical Education Teachers
- Average number of years teaching at SMPS: 10.7
- 4 Teacher Assistants
- 1 Resource Teacher
- 1 Title I Teacher
- Full-time Nurse(s)

STUDENTS:

- 2009-2010 Enrollment: 280 students
- Student Teacher Ratio: 20: 1
- Nursery – Grade 3: self-contained
- Grades 4 & 5: departmentalized
- 86% Catholics; 14% non-Catholics
- Students come from 31 Catholic & non-Catholic parishes
- Attendance Areas: Assonet, Berkley, Bridgewater, Carver, Dighton, East Bridgewater, Easton, Lakeville, Mansfield, Middleboro, Norton, Plymouth, Raynham, Rehoboth, Somerville and Taunton.

AREAS OF STUDY:

Religion	Social Studies
Mathematics	Language Arts
Science	Spanish
Computer	Library Science
Music	Art
Physical Education	

Curriculum aligned to the Mass Frameworks
Diocesan testing in grades K-5 annually
IOWA of Basic Skills Standardized Tests

SCHOOL DAY:

- School day is 8:55am – 3:05 pm.
- 180 school days
- All-Day & Half-Day Nursery and Pre K Programs Available
- Full-Day Kindergarten Program
- Extended Care Service Provided (Morning 7:00am-8:30am and Afternoon 3:00pm-5:00pm)
- Busing available for Kindergarten – grade 5 students for Taunton residents.

STATISTICS:

- 92% of 2009 Graduates are now enrolled in private/Catholic schools & 8% in public schools.
- On the Nation's Report Card (NAER) Catholic Elementary School students outperform their peers in Reading and Mathematics.
- On Iowa Tests of Basic Skills, our students score on & above grade level in Reading, Mathematics, Social Studies and Science.
- Average Small Classroom Size provided.
- Growing and expanding co-curricular offerings.
- Strong Parent Involvement