

WITH SCORES ABOVE THE REST
ST. FERDINAND SCHOOL STUDENTS EXCEED NATIONAL STANDARDIZED ACHIEVEMENT TEST NORMS

“Our Catholic schools constitute the best school system in Cook and Lake Counties.” -Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Archbishop of Chicago

Saint Ferdinand School plays a critical role in the life of the Belmont-Cragin community by instilling faith, teaching discipline and achieving strong, consistent academic quality education. The results of standardized achievement test administered in 2010 to third, fifth and seventh grade students in Catholic elementary schools in Cook and Lake counties indicates that St. Ferdinand School children achieved scores above the national average for all subtests. We have a highly qualified and certified staff. Polish, Spanish, and Chinese language options are just part of enrichment. We have a Math and Reading resource program. A safe and secure, faith-based, and technology rich program ensures today’s students are ready for the future. With an average classroom size of 25, our school enjoys a 17 to 1 student-teacher ratio. The attendance rate of our students in the elementary school is 98%. One hundred percent of our eight graders who attend St. Ferdinand School graduate. We, like all Catholic elementary schools, use TerraNova III as the testing/assessment program because of its focus on National Standards.

2009-2010 TEST RESULTS

GRADES	ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (INCLUDES COOK & LAKE COUNTIES)			CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO			BIG SHOULDER FUND		
	3RD	5TH	7TH	3RD	5TH	7TH	3RD	5TH	7TH
READING	67	70	75	62	64	71	50	52	64
LANGUAGE	70	70	81	63	64	76	50	52	67
MATH	71	69	75	65	63	68	53	51	59
*TOTAL SCORE	72	72	80	65	65	74	52	52	64
SCIENCE	73	70	68	69	63	62	58	50	54
SOCIAL STUDIES	75	71	77	71	64	73	60	53	65

2011-RESULTS

ST. FERDINAND SCHOOL		
3RD	5TH	7TH
78	65	75
77	76	86
76	85	73
83	80	84
89	77	67
87	66	86

***NOTE: TOTAL SCORE EQUALS THE AVERAGE OF READING, LANGUAGE, AND MATH**

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