

176 CATHOLIC DIOCESES WITH CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Every Catholic school student receives a faith-filled, academically excellent education that forms them in mind, body and spirit.

STUDENTS

 TOTAL ENROLLMENT IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

1,835,376



1,274,162 in elementary/middle schools

561,214 in secondary schools



SCHOOLS

6,352 Catholic schools:
5,158 elementary;
1,194 secondary.



16 New Schools Opened;
110 Consolidated Or Closed.

1,872

schools have a waiting list for admission.



Based on the average public school per pupil cost of **\$11,454**, Catholic schools provide more than **21 billion dollars** a year savings for the nation.

National Secondary School Graduation Rates*

Catholic **99.2%**
Other Religious **97.5%**
Non-Sectarian **93.9%**
Public Schools **84.1%**

(*actual high school diplomas awarded)



PROFESSIONAL STAFF

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT PROFESSIONAL STAFF NUMBERED

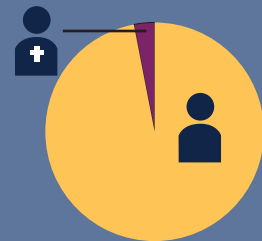
153,289



97.4% LAITY



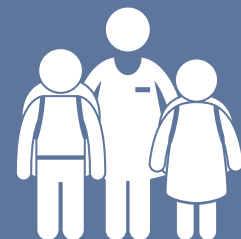
(Lay women: **74.8%**
Lay men: **22.6%**)



2.6%

RELIGIOUS CLERGY

(Sisters: **1.6%**; Brothers: **0.5%**; Clergy: **0.5%**)



The Student/Teacher Ratio Is **12:1.**



Top Dioceses with the Largest Enrollments:

Los Angeles † Chicago † Philadelphia
New York † Cincinnati † Cleveland
St. Louis † Brooklyn † Boston
New Orleans

STUDENT DIVERSITY

20.8% are racial minorities,
17.4% are Hispanic/Latino



Non-Catholic enrollment is **349,139** which is **19.0%** of the total enrollment.



29 states and the District of Columbia have legislation that provides some form of financial assistance to parents to help them choose a private or faith-based education for their children. Currently there are 62 publicly-financed programs (vouchers, scholarships, education savings accounts and tax relief) assisting more than 1.5 million families with financial resources that enable them to exercise choice in their selection of a school for their children.