

November 10, 2017

Dear Parents,

Each academic year, students at Our Lady of Victory Catholic School participate in the IOWA Assessments in grades two through eight. Students in grades one, three, five, and seven also take the (CogAT), which is a group-administered assessment intended to estimate students' learned reasoning and problem-solving abilities. The purpose of these assessments is two-fold. First, they provide a window into each student's academic progress as compared to a statistically significant sampling of students across the country. Second, they constitute a tool that the faculty and staff utilize as we work to continuously improve the school curriculum in order to provide a superb academic program for your children.

Enclosed, you will find your child's results for the IOWA Assessments. Please take a few minutes to review them. Below, you also will find the averages for each grade for this year's IOWA Assessments. Please note that scores are reported as percentiles. Therefore, if a student scored at the 75th percentile, this would indicate that he or she performed better than 74 percent of the students who took the same assessments throughout the country. Here, we have reported our school's performance in the areas of Reading Comprehension, English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and the Complete Composite score for each grade.

| | Reading | ELA Total | Math Total | Science | Social Studies | Complete Composite |
|----------------|----------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Grade 2 | 75 | 68 | 69 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Grade 3 | 73 | 79 | 72 | 76 | 74 | 78 |
| Grade 4 | 70 | 81 | 77 | 75 | 77 | 77 |
| Grade 5 | 71 | 77 | 71 | 71 | 83 | 73 |
| Grade 6 | 63 | 79 | 76 | 66 | 72 | 72 |
| Grade 7 | 75 | 88 | 79 | 72 | 80 | 80 |
| Grade 8 | 73 | 85 | 76 | 73 | 87 | 79 |

Overall, we are encouraged by our school's scores. As a faculty, we will continue to analyze the results in order to determine the most robust areas of the curriculum as well as the areas of the curriculum where rigor can be strengthened in order to best prepare your child for success both in the short and long term future.

As always, we are wholly committed to fostering the growth of our students: spiritually, academically, and socially. Should you have any questions regarding either the IOWA Assessment or the CogAT results, you are encouraged to contact me, your child's teachers, Mrs. Szuba our Dean of Students, or Ms. Langley our Counselor. Thank you for your partnership in the education of your children.

Sincerely,

Dan Timmis
Principal