10 Things You May Not Know About Holy Trinity School

- 1. Did you know that your child does not have to be Catholic to attend Holy Trinity School? Although our mission emphasizes Gospel values and Catholic Social Teaching, close to 10% of our students are of other faiths. We welcome students and families of all faiths, and this gives our school a diversity that teaches respect for all.
- 2. Did you know that Holy Trinity offers Spanish in all grades and Advanced Math in Grades 5-8? Our 8th Graders graduate from HTS with such a strong proficiency that they often test into Spanish 2 in high school! Grade 8 students taking Advanced Math follow an Algebra 1 course and typically test into Geometry or Algebra 2 in high school!
- **3.** Did you know HTS students test in the top 23% in standardized testing scores? HTS has rigorous academic standards and curriculum. We do not follow Common Core standards.
- 4. Did you know that Holy Trinity has a state of the art computer lab? Classrooms have iPads and Smart Boards, and technology is integrated into our curriculum. Our students graduate with an above-average knowledge of Microsoft Office (including Word, Excel and PowerPoint), internet proficiency and safety, and simple computer programming.
- 5. Did you know that HTS students are recognized musicians? Cadet and Advanced bands are led by Connecticut Future Musicians, and our students are well-represented in Regional and All-State Concert, Symphonic, and Jazz bands, and Flute Choir. Some of our musicians perform at Central Connecticut State University and on Lincoln Center Plaza in NYC!
- 6. Did you know that we have competitive sports teams at HTS? Boys' and Girls' JV and V basketball, co-ed soccer, baseball, and softball are offered. We believe in "Hustle-Teamwork-Spirit" and most importantly, sportsmanship. While we have a winning tradition at HTS, respect learned on the playing field complements what is taught in our classrooms.
- 7. Did you know that our graduating 8th Graders have a 100% acceptance rate into private/Catholic high schools? Notre Dame, Xavier, Sacred Heart, Mercy, Lauralton Hall, St. Paul's Catholic High School, Choate Rosemary Hall, Miss Porter's School, Hamden Hall Country Day School, and Hopkins School are some of the prestigious schools that our students go on to attend.
- 8. Did you know that our students are actively involved in community service? "Faith in Action" is a voluntary community service club for students in Grades 5-8 who organize collections such as holiday food baskets for the needy, pet food and toys, socks, and hats and scarves for cancer patients.
- 9. Did you know that HTS students do not have to attend after-school religious education classes? Your child will have a daily religious curriculum on their road to receiving the Sacraments, including First Reconciliation and Holy Communion, so there is no need for CCD classes in the afternoon. In addition, students attend Mass for Holy Days of Obligation and prayer services.
- 10. Did you know that Holy Trinity isn't just a school, it's a family? There are Family Fun events such as McDonald's Night, Family Bingo Night, Pancake Breakfast, and Parent-Child Special Outings, just to name a few. We welcome our new families with Parent Ambassadors, and 8th Graders help out younger students in their first few days at HTS.

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