

Your child deserves a great education

Is there any better investment than the one you make in your child's education? At St. Raphael Catholic School, we don't think so. That's why you should invest some time in exploring your options—and include St. Raphael School in your search. Discover the world of opportunities available here for your son or daughter. St. Raphael is more than a parish school because students come from across western Wayne County. It's everything you expect from a Catholic school—and so much more.



Excellence starts with the basics

More parents—Catholic and non-Catholic alike—choose St. Raphael School because of its strong academic program. Our Iowa Test composite scores consistently rank above national norms. Through an emphasis on the basics—language, math, science and social studies—we help students prepare for even the most academically rigorous high schools (just ask any of our graduates!). Students in 1st through 8th grade also take art, music, Spanish, computers and physical education. And the backbone of this solid education? St. Raphael's faculty—a dedicated, enthusiastic group of teachers—all certified by the State of Michigan.



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A Catholic education

St. Raphael students learn and grow in a peace-oriented, Catholic Christian environment that nurtures the kind of moral and spiritual foundation you want for your child. Children of all faiths are welcome here. Students have daily religion class, attend weekly mass and receive preparation for sacraments.

Every day, students also “walk the talk” of being Christian—whether it’s sending a handmade card to “adopted” senior friends, collecting items for the needy, or older students making a craft or reading a story with their year-long “buddies” in the younger grades. St. Raphael incorporates both Peace Works education and peer mediation to resolve issues in a respectful and Christ-like manner. And don’t be surprised to find Fr. Scott Thibodeau, St. Raphael Parish’s pastor and school chaplain, mingling with students and joining in their activities on any given day. The school mission statement sums it all up nicely: **We are growing in friendship, knowledge and God’s spirit.**



A well-rounded education

At St. Raphael, opportunities to learn and grow beyond classroom walls are nearly as diverse as students’ interests. They include: sports (football, basketball, volleyball, baseball, softball, and cheerleading), scouts, music lessons, youth groups, altar servers, safety patrol, spelling bees and other academic competitions, and prayer leaders. Each grade also offers field trips and other age-appropriate learning opportunities, such as a week at Camp Wolverine in northern Michigan for sixth graders.

A convenient education

Even the best education for your child isn’t possible if it isn’t also convenient for today’s busy families. Located north of Ford Road at Merriman in Garden City, St. Raphael School is an easy drive from Canton, Plymouth, Westland, Van Buren Township and other surrounding communities. Plus, the school makes it even easier with services that include bus transportation, before- and after-school latchkey, half- and full-day kindergarten, daily lunch program, school uniforms and a weekly newsletter for parents.

Take a closer look

St. Raphael School is more affordable than you may think. Payment plans, no building fees and a variety of tuition discounts make it even more affordable. Your child deserves the world of opportunities available at St. Raphael School. But don’t just take our word for it. Stop in for your personal student-guided tour. Visit during open house. Ask your neighbors and co-workers. You’ll discover that an education at St. Raphael School is a gift you can give your child today that will truly last a lifetime.

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