

Testimonials

St. Francis of Assisi Elementary School



St. Francis is a place where the joy and laughter of children echo in the halls. It's a place where the principal knows students' and parents' names. Everyday I am amazed at how the children are so willing to share their love for Jesus, learn, participate, and show love and compassion for others. My daughter's and my experience at St. Francis reflect these sentiments. We were welcomed with open arms to a family we never knew we had and now can not live without.

~Krisheidy Guerrero

St. Francis provides a safe and nurturing environment where our children grow academically and spiritually. School staff are accessible, and genuinely care about the well being and development of our children. We have never questioned our decision to send them to St. Francis.

~The Chan Family.

Our oldest son was nurtured academically and spiritually during the nine years at St. Francis, and went on to successfully take honors and advanced placement classes at Christian Brothers High School where he graduated with a 4.2 GPA. Our youngest son has a challenging emotional disorder. We tried a special program in the public school with an IEP for two years. When our son yearned to return to St. Francis, the staff welcomed us back with open arms, and has provided the creativity and flexibility that were lacking in the public setting.

After many disappointing years at another Sacramento Catholic school, we decided to enroll our boys in St. Francis because we had heard so much about its excellent academic reputation and friendly, loving learning environment. Our experience here has been nothing but positive. This is a school where the focus is exactly where it belongs: on the kids. Every day and at every level St. Francis shows itself a true community -- one with a keen mind, a firm hand, a big heart and a kind, wise soul. If you're looking for a school that offers rigorous academics combined with a practical application of Christian values and a vibrant after-schools program, you couldn't do any better than St. Francis. Our only regret is that we did not get our children here sooner.

~ Maureen & Stevan Allen

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At mid-year this year I had the opportunity to hear a mother of one of our students who is moving away speak to the student body. She mentioned that the hardest part about leaving St. Francis was that it wasn't just leaving a school, it was leaving part of her family. I think many of us feel this way. Families come from all over the county to attend St. Francis Elementary. We are an eclectic group that seems to come together cohesively as a school family. No family is perfect or without some turbulent times, but with the dedication of our staff and the active participation of our parents, we come together to serve our mission in educating our kids. No statement about our school would be complete without mention of the excellent leadership of our administration, in particular our principal and parish priest, whose open door and expertise.

~The Brown Family

My children are receiving a superior education at St. Francis Elementary. St. Francis offers a full curriculum. In addition to the 3R's, St. Francis offers foreign language, performing arts, and sports. My children are excited to go to school every day.

~Jennifer Torres

St. Francis Elementary School offers a balance of Catholic values and academic excellence. It seeks to cultivate the emotional, spiritual, interpersonal and intellectual characteristics of our children. Our children truly enjoy learning in this environment, and we are grateful to be part of such a wonderful community of students, parents, teachers and staff.

~Sara Dougherty

St. Francis offers a haven for my children. I know that when I drop my children off at school that they will continue to receive the same nurturing and discipline that I teach in our home. My children are succeeding academically and their teachers are always accessible. When you're a student at St. Francis, it doesn't matter if you're 4 or 14; you all respect and know each other by name. My children attend the extension program and always beg for more time before our return home. Our principal, Laurie Power, constantly amazes me with her balancing of children, parents, staff and parish. Our school thrives under her leadership and the excitement my children have to return to school each week is a direct relation to her successful role.

~Dawn Waltz

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St. Francis Elementary is a place you can call home! St. Francis is a community of amazing teachers, dedicated staff and faculty, an incredible principal and friendly caring parents. I believe that my children are getting a brilliant education both academically and spiritually. St. Francis has so much to offer with extras like a wonderful performing arts program, spanish, art, PE, just to mention a few. I have 4 children and I will be at St. Francis for a total of 14 years and I can't imagine any other place that I would rather be.

~Deb Ryan

As a St. Francis parent it gives me great joy, to see how happy my daughter gets as she goes to school everyday. She consistently talks to me about her wonderful daily experiences with her friends and teachers. I truly believe that the teachers' commitment and our parent/families' dedications make St. Francis Elementary the close knit community that it is.

~Alma Matteucci

St. Francis of Assisi Elementary School has provided an educational experience that has surpassed our highest expectations. Our girls have grown and matured in an atmosphere that has emphasized the importance of their education, their community, and their family. As a parent, I could not be more pleased.

~Trisha Flynn

Our son has attended SFA since he was a TK (2002). We sat through several hours of instruction in six different kindergartens – everything from other Catholic elementary schools to private elementary schools – the St. Francis of Assisi kindergarten was the only class where the teacher was able to teach and not spend his/her time trying to control the chaos. Another huge upside to attending SFA is the feeling of community which isn't dependant on church attendance as we attend infrequently (we live outside of Sacramento) – Our school, parents, teachers and staff feel like family. The sense that we belong was unexpected. Finally, when prospective parents asked me what I don't like about our school I can honestly answer that there isn't anything I don't love – I wouldn't change a thing. You will never regret enrolling your child at St. Francis of Assisi.

~Kelly Mulcahy