



St. Helen Catholic School ANNUAL REPORT *2018-2019*



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. Helen Catholic School is to provide a quality Catholic education that incorporates faith, academics, service, and leadership. Students are encouraged to be confident and productive learners who are "making good things happen".



Father Kevin C. Nelson, Pastor
Lisa Bell, Principal

Accreditation
Florida Catholic Conference

Co-Educational
K-8th Grade

School Overview

- ✓ 281 Students
- ✓ 94% Catholic
- ✓ Average class size 22
- ✓ 45% Scholarship/Financial Aid

Faculty & Staff

- ✓ 28 full time, 4 part-time
- ✓ 50% hold advanced degrees
- ✓ 1 part-time School Counselor
- ✓ 1 full-time School Resource Officer

From the Principal - Lisa Bell

First and most importantly I want to extend my appreciation to each and everyone of you for all of your hard work and support during my first year. I can't tell you how thankful I am for all of your help during my transition to St. Helen School.

I am very excited to be at SHCS, and I love living in Vero Beach! Accepting any position in leadership always comes with the understanding that there is a possibility that tough decisions need to be made.

Our Catholic schools are a vital part of the teaching mission of the Church. We must respond to challenging times with faith, vision and the will to succeed because the Catholic school's mission is essential to the future of our youth, our nation and especially our Church.

First and foremost, I have a fiscal responsibility to be a good steward of our school resources and set realistic budgets. When reviewing the 2018-2019 school budget, which was completed prior to my arrival it was determined, based on projected enrollment, there would be a budget shortfall for the 2019-2020.

A Feasibility Study was conducted by the School Advisory Council and took place in August 2018. The primary purpose of conducting this study was to review the sustainability of continuing a two-class model for the 2019-2020 school year and thereafter.

The findings of the study concluded that there are not enough classrooms to accommodate what is needed under the existing program. The findings further concluded that there was a running year to year budget shortfall primarily because enrollment and revenue did not cover the operational costs of the school.

Based on these findings the decision was made to systematically begin the process of rolling back our classes from the two-class model to one class per grade level.

This is often the hardest part of my job as it requires a non-emotional approach to decisions based primarily on analytical data. St. Helen Catholic School continues to build on the strengths of an already impressive Catholic school. These decisions will ensure that St. Helen Catholic School can continue its mission of Making Good Things Happen for years to come. Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

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Very Reverend Kevin C. Nelson,
V.F. Pastor

Lisa Bell,
Principal

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Financial Report

It takes a community, and we are blessed to have so many passionate about this ministry of the Church. Our school is thriving because of the faculty and staff, the parents and guardians, the parishioners and members of the local community, and other friends of the school. Thank you for supporting Catholic education!

REVENUE

Tuition & Other Income	71%	\$1,982,114
Harvest Festival	12%	\$321,048
Development Revenue *	8%	\$215,986
St. Helen Parish	5%	\$138,551
Unrestricted Donations	5%	\$126,452

Includes building fund, gala, golf tournament, magazine drive and harvest festival

Total: \$2,784,151

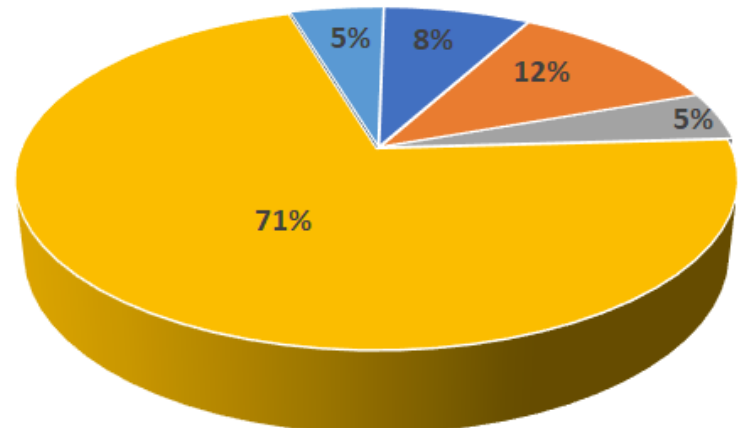
EXPENSES

Salary	65%	\$1,937,330
Building & Plant	12%	\$347,146
Harvest Festival	8%	\$237,392
Other/Misc**	5%	\$163,192
Curriculum	5%	\$152,903
Technology	3%	\$87,105
Development	2%	\$45,229

**General expenses such as supplies, marketing, printing, and subscriptions

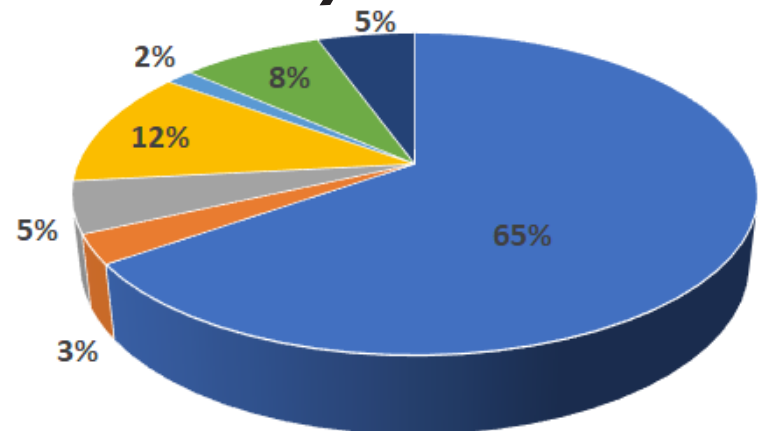
Total: \$2,970,297

2018-2019 Revenue



■ Development Revenue ■ Harvest Festival ■ Unrestricted Donations
■ Tuition & Other Income ■ Parish Support

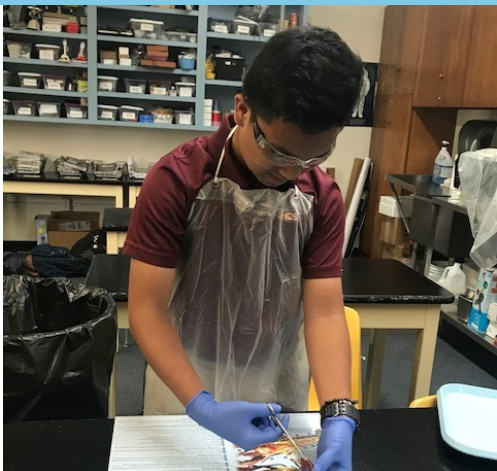
Expenses



■ Salary ■ Technology ■ Curriculum ■ Bldg/Plant
■ Development ■ Harvest Festival ■ Other/Misc.

- 2018-2019 SHCS average tuition cost: \$5374
- 2018-2019 SHCS cost to educate a child: \$8682
- 2017-2018 IRCSD cost to educate a child: \$9,911*

*IRCSD Fiscal Data 2014-2015 NCES



From the Pastor

St. Helen Catholic School, rooted in the faith tradition of the Catholic Church, continues to provide our students with a challenging academic curriculum within a rich spiritual community.

Very Reverend Kevin C. Nelson, V.F.



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