Dear Families,

Out of all the influences in this world that can help children build a strong foundation for future success, there’s one often overlooked: a quality education provided in a faith-oriented atmosphere.

The Christian community created at Immaculate Conception School offers students the necessary tools to learn, grow and thrive. Our dedicated faculty provides solid academics, a variety of classroom and extracurricular activities and programs, family activities and, of course, religious education. The lessons of faith, values, family and community are designed to stay with children for a lifetime. With all these positive influences surrounding students at Immaculate Conception School, it’s no wonder that success truly does blossom here!

Selecting a school is one of the most important decisions a family will make. I wish you the best as you take on this challenge and am honored that you are considering Immaculate Conception School. We are eager to show you our school and to introduce you to our teachers and staff. Please visit our website at www.icschool.org or call with your questions. I would be happy to acquaint you with our school.

Yours in Christ,

Sally G. Lisi, Principal
Immaculate Conception School
Immaculate Conception School is a Roman Catholic elementary school (Pre-K-6), an educational ministry of Immaculate Conception Parish in Fayetteville, New York. Our school welcomes students from families in Immaculate Conception Parish, its Pastoral Care area, and all other families that embrace our educational philosophy.

Founded on the teachings of Jesus Christ with Mary as our inspiration, Immaculate Conception School has an uncompromising commitment to the mission of Jesus Christ while achieving academic excellence. We pride ourselves on our dedicated teachers and staff and our family-oriented atmosphere. In this environment our students develop a strong moral conscience, self-worth and integrity through prayer, example and the sacraments. We provide a challenging and an enriched education following the New York State Interdiocesan Curriculum, which exceeds the New York State standards.

As a Roman Catholic community we encourage our students to live by Catholic principles and to develop a lifelong enthusiasm for learning that will prepare them to meet any future challenges.

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

**Centered in the Eucharist**

*Monthly school Masses, Each grade level has a turn as lectors, singers and offertory participants, Special Mass just for our second graders and their families after their First Eucharist, Weekly focus on the Gospel readings for that coming weekend, Sixth Grade graduation liturgy.*
CATHOLIC
IDENTITY

The National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Schools define the deep Catholic identity of Catholic Schools and serve as the platform on which the standards and benchmarks rest. They authenticate the standards and benchmarks, justifying their existence and providing their meaning.

Our entire mission at Immaculate Conception School is based on the nine characteristics:

1. Our programs and activities foster a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The students become a witness to the Gospel message of love of God and neighbor and service to the world, especially the poor. 2. The school is a place of evangelization through the ever-present environment expressing our Catholic culture. 3. Immaculate Conception School holds the prestigious Middle States Accreditation which establishes an ongoing process to ensure excellence in every aspect of our program. 4. We are rooted in the conviction that education is developed and implemented to educate the whole child in all dimensions. 5. Our Catholic instruction strives to foster in each student the desire to seek wisdom, social justice and the ability to recognize ethical and moral behavior. 6. The teachers and staff at our school are role models for students and are committed to the mission of the church and school. 7. Immaculate Conception School serves as a faith community. We promote collaboration among teachers, with parents as the primary educators, with an appreciation of different gifts upon which we build a community. 8. We do everything in our power to make Catholic education viable for all children. 9. Immaculate Conception School is a parish school under the direction of the Diocese of Syracuse.

Rooted in the Sacraments

Preparation for First Eucharist, Preparation for First Penance, Penance Services, Learning about the Sacraments and the Importance in Our Lives.
The curriculum at Immaculate Conception School meets the requirements of the State of New York, the National Common Core Standards and the Diocese of Syracuse. Students are instructed in Christian Doctrine, Reading, Language Arts, Spelling, Handwriting, Social Studies, Mathematics and Science. Our curriculum is enhanced with Music, Art, Technology, Spanish and Library classes.

Our curriculum follows the educational journey of our students beginning in the younger grades encompassing a student’s curiosity as they question and discover their world. The environment promotes the growth of each student as an individual learner. The habits of lifelong learning are developed with an emphasis on respect in a loving community.

In the older grades, a rigorous program is established emulating a middle school setting, preparing students for the future.

ACADEMICS

Formed in Faith

Catholic doctrine, Catechism, Learning about the Saints, Lenten Project Box, Focus on Mary as our Mother, the I.C. School Way recited daily, Kindness Quilt, Advent calendar, Jesus our Shepard classroom poster made by students, yearly visit from Fr. O’Connor (vocation director), regular visits from our parish priests, Sixth grade retreat day, Weekly Gospel review, focus on the Old Testament in sixth grade.
Our faculty and staff members are our most valuable asset. Our teachers are dynamic individuals that are able to ignite the thirst for learning in every student. Each member of the staff is a role model of our Catholic values.

Our faculty members are also models of lifelong learners as they take advantage of the professional development programs, conferences and retreats available. Each teacher is certified in the Diocesan Faith Formation and Religious Development Program and maintains certification with yearly ongoing religious development programs and activities.

With a 14:1 ratio, teachers encourage their students to work cooperatively, ask questions, think critically and develop study skills that will last them a lifetime.

**FACULTY**

**Nourished by Prayer**

_Saying the Rosary, Nicene Creed, Stations of the Cross, Living Rosary, First Friday Devotions, Lenten Prayer Service, Thanksgiving Prayer Service, Daily prayer time, Petitions, May Devotions, Advent Calendars, Daily Scripture Reading, Passion play._
We recognize the important connection between academic and extracurricular activities. Our programs do much to contribute to the development of the total child.

Some of the activities which are offered at our school are: Lego Robotics Team, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, a Fall soccer program, interscholastic basketball program for grades 4-6, “Little Eagles” basketball program for grades Pre-K-3, Spirit Club, Newspaper club, Yearbook Committee, Chorus and Instrumental Music.

**Extracurricular Activity**

Shaped by Service & Community

Good deeds for one another and our family, Mitten tree, Christmas gifts for our partner school families, Christmas collection of gifts for Catholic Charities, crafts and goodies for senior residence, toiletry collection for St. Lucy’s outreach program, food collection for various food pantries, cards to shut-ins, cards and treats for the troops, support for various charities in the area.
We are proud of our advancements in the area of technology in our building. Every classroom is equipped with a SMARTboard with speakers, projector and document camera. All teachers have a laptop computer and an iPad for their use in the classroom. Each homeroom also has a minimum of four computers and a printer for student use. Technology integration has become second nature in the classroom.

A cart of 30 iPads is available for use in the classrooms as we move toward more individual use of technology, preparing our students for the world around them. The technology curriculum is based on the federal guidelines and the Common Sense curriculum established for each grade level.

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COME SEE US IN ACTION
We believe that the best way to learn about us is to come and experience our faith-filled environment. Once you step into the student-centered atmosphere, we are confident you will feel right at home. Call us to make an appointment to tour our campus.

APPLY FOR ADMISSION
To learn more about our admission process and/or our financial aid program, please give us a call. We look forward to hearing from you.