

176 Catholic Dioceses with Catholic Schools



Ten Dioceses

with the **Largest Enrollments:**

Los Angeles	Cincinnati
Chicago	Brooklyn
New York	St. Louis
Philadelphia	Boston
Cleveland	New Orleans

6,429

Catholic schools

5,224 elementary

1,205 secondary



Nearly 1.9 Million Total Catholic School Student Enrollment

1,309,429

in Elementary/ Middle Schools

569,395

in Secondary Schools

78.4%

of Catholic schools serve
students with special needs.

National Secondary School Graduation
Rate in Catholic Schools is **99.3%**

Based on the average public school per
pupil cost of **\$11,066**, Catholic schools
provide more than **20 billion** dollars
a year savings for the nation.

STUDENT DIVERSITY

20.7% are racial minorities,

16.8% are Hispanic/Latino



Non-Catholic Enrollment is

345,327

(18.4% of Total Enrollment)

20 new schools opened;
96 consolidated or closed.

1,739 schools have
a waiting list for admission.

Coeducational schools
comprise **98.6%** of
elementary and **70.0%** of
secondary schools. At the
secondary level, **12.7%** of
the schools are male and
17.3% are female.

29 states and the District of
Columbia have legislation that
provides some form of financial
assistance to parents to help
them choose a private or faith-
based education for their children.
Currently there are **61 publicly-
financed programs** (vouchers,
scholarships, education savings
accounts and tax relief) assisting
more than **1.5 million families**
with financial resources that
enable them to exercise choice
in their selection of a school for
their children.

Every Catholic school
student receives a faith-
based, academically excellent
education that forms them
in mind, body and spirit.

Full-time equivalent professional staff numbered **152,883:**

97.4%: Laity

(Lay women: 75.3% Lay men: 22.1%)

2.6%: Religious/Clergy

(Sisters: 1.6%; Brothers: 0.5%; Clergy: 0.5%)



The
student/
teacher
ratio is
12:1.