

Academic Profile for School Year 2014-2015

for schools participating in the Educational Credit for
Exceptional Needs Children (ECENC) Program

School Name:

Divine Redeemer Catholic School

SUPPORT LEVEL I

SCHOOL INFORMATION:



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Mission Statement or Philosophy: At Divine Redeemer Catholic School in Hanahan, South Carolina, we believe that each child is a vital member of Christ's body. Serving students in grades K-3 through 8, our school exists to help each child fulfill his or her God-given potential. Divine Redeemer School guides students through the sacramental life of the Church, provides an excellent academic foundation, and prepares them to live out their faith as productive members of society.

School History: Divine Redeemer Catholic School was founded in 1960 by the "sisters, under the direction of the pastor/bishop." It opened with 84 students in grades 1 & 2, and added grades quickly, with our first class graduating in 1962. Today the school serves students in grades K-3 through 8, and has approximately 65 families in attendance. Though various religious orders have staffed the school at different times throughout its history, today there is a lay administrator and an all-lay faculty and staff. Divine Redeemer Catholic School is located in Hanahan, South Carolina, in Berkeley County. Hanahan is a suburban community which is adjacent to the cities of North Charleston and Goose Creek, and is considered to be part of the greater-Charleston area. Divine Redeemer Catholic School lies within the boundaries of the Berkeley County School District. While the great majority of our students are Catholic, there are also students of other faiths included in the student body. Divine Redeemer Catholic School has a very diverse student body comprised of Caucasian students, multi-racial students, Asian students, and Hispanic students. We also welcome, and have experience with, students who are studying from abroad.

School Accreditations & Affiliations:

Divine Redeemer Catholic School is fully accredited through SACS - Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Non-Discriminatory Policy:

Divine Redeemer Catholic School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national, or ethnic origin in the admission of students.

All data and information included in this Academic Profile are self-reported by the school.

SUPPORT LEVEL I: Traditional school/classroom environment with no specific special education services provided but strives to make needed accommodations for exceptional needs students who struggle in academic areas.

SUPPORT LEVEL II: Traditional school/classroom environment with a specially designed program or learning resource center to provide needed accommodations based on the needs of exceptional needs students.

SUPPORT LEVEL III: A school specifically existing to meet the needs of only exceptional needs students with documented disabilities.

WHOLE SCHOOL PROFILE:

STUDENTS

2014-15 Enrollment:

90

TEACHERS

Number of Classroom Teachers: 10

Detail on teachers' training if applicable:

All faculty members are college-educated and qualified to teach, and have many years of classroom experience. They participate in a regular schedule of professional development annually.

ECENC PROGRAM

SERVICES FOR STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR THE EDUCATIONAL CREDIT FOR EXCEPTIONAL NEEDS CHILDREN PROGRAM

Children with the following challenges may be eligible to be served: Attention Deficit Disorder, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Minor Learning Disabilities, Minor orthopedic, visual or auditory impairments, etc.

Features of Curriculum / Instructional Program(s) used for eligible students:

Small class size facilitates the individualized attention needed by students with academic or physical challenges. Minor accommodations and differentiated instruction are also offered as needed.

Assessments: Iowa Assessments can be provided with certain accommodations, such as extra time, one-on-one administration, etc.

*Assessment Results:

Not applicable at this time.

SCHOOL

Grade Span: K-3 through 8

Student to Teacher Ratio: Average of 10:1

Grading System: Divine Redeemer Catholic School follows the grading system of the Diocese of Charleston. (98-100 = A+, 95-97 = A, 92-94 = A-, 89-91 = B+, 86-88 = B, 83-85 = B-, 80-82 = C+, 77-79 = C, 74-76 = C-, 70-73 = D, Below 70 = F. (The lower grades use a mastery grading system, or descriptive grades, such as Excellent, Good, Satisfactory, Needs Improvement, Unsatisfactory.)

Graduation Requirements:

Students graduate from 8th grade if they have passing grades and acceptable attendance rates.

Curriculum / Instructional Programs:

The following subjects are taught at Divine Redeemer Catholic School: Religion, English Language Arts (includes Reading, Writing, Spelling, Vocabulary, Literature, Grammar, and Penmanship), Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Spanish, Computer/Technology, Physical Education, and Fine Arts.

Assessments:

Students in grades 1-8 take the Iowa Assessments and/or the CogAT (Cognitive Abilities Test).

Assessment Results:

School averages: Reading - 53rd percentile, Language Arts - 54th percentile, Math - 46th percentile. Grade 8 averages: Reading - 66th percentile, Language Arts - 79th percentile, Math - 52nd percentile.



*Data only reported when exceptional needs population at school totals at least 10.