

The Mission of Santa Cruz Catholic School is to educate students to be lifelong learners and the next generation of Catholic leaders, following Christ's message of Service, Compassion, Courage, and Spirit.

## From the Principal



Welcome to Santa Cruz Catholic School! As you take the time to make the very important decision about schooling for your child, we are grateful for the opportunity to be a part of that process.

Serving the greater Buda community for 16 years, SCCS remains committed to providing our students with a Catholic faith-based, rigorous academic program aligned with the Texas Essential Skills and Knowledge. All members of our instructional team are engaged in continuous professional development as we strive to deliver high-quality, student-centered, joyful learning experiences in every classroom.

In addition to high quality academic programming, our students participate in various co- curricular activities that we offer. Excellent athletic, fine arts,

STEM, and makerspace programs allow our students to explore their interests and talents. We employ multiple interventionists on staff in order to help each child grow to reach their full potential.

We take pride in our strong Catholic Identity and Faith Formation. Religion, as a class, is a core subject that every student takes at SCCS. It is also integrated through all subject areas. Our early childhood and elementary aged students also participate in our very own Light of the World program. This program takes a hands-on approach to help children grow in knowledge, faith, and virtue in school and at home. We provide our students opportunities to serve the community through annual service projects across all grade levels and to deepen their faith through annual retreats.

Your participation in the education of your child is key to his / her success with us. SCCS is so blessed to have parents who have been very supportive of each other and the school. Their presence and support to the school and the parish have set our community apart and created a sense of family.

As you tour our campus, we will be happy to answer questions that you may have. We encourage you to visit our website at <a href="www.sccstx.org">www.sccstx.org</a> for more information about our school and visit our Facebook page to get a feel for our culture. As with many parents who have come and visited the school for the first time, we are confident that you will feel the warm Cardinal spirit as you walk through our hallways. While Mrs. Hull, our Development Director, does an excellent job, I will also be available to speak with you should you have questions for me during your visit.

You are welcome to email me as well at jchaffee@sccstx.org. Wishing you and your family God's loving blessings today and always!

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