

## Teacher Highlights



Mrs. Brahier

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**Mrs. Brahier** received her undergraduate degree in Mathematics and her Master's Degree in Secondary Education. She previously taught at two Catholic high schools. Mrs. Brahier's first year of teaching at Saint Rose was 2003-2004. She was honored with the Toledo Diocese Golden Apple Award in 2021. Mrs. Brahier teaches religion and math.



Mr. Kruse

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**Mr. Kruse** received Bachelor degrees in History and Communication Studies from Marquette University and his Master of Arts in Teaching at Bowling Green State University. Mr. Kruse teaches religion, social studies, and speech. He has been teaching at Saint Rose since 2012.



Mrs. Dubois

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**Mrs. Dubois** has a Bachelor of Science in Middle Childhood Education from Bowling Green State University. She has been teaching in Catholic schools since 2004. In 2015, she joined the faculty at Saint Rose, where she is also an alumna. She currently teaches sixth grade literature and language arts, sixth-grade religion, and seventh/eighth-grade Honors ELA.



Mr. Less

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**Mr. Less** earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Zoology from Miami University, his Master of Science in Industrial Hygiene from the former Medical College of Ohio, and his Master of Education in Secondary Education from the University of Toledo. Prior to becoming a science teacher, Mr. Less worked in the environmental, health and safety field at Davis Besse and engineering/consulting firms. Mr. Less began teaching in 2010 and has taught Science to Middle School and High School students at Bettsville School, Lake High School, and Saint Andrew Catholic School in Cape Coral, Florida. Mr. Less returned to Ohio in 2024 when he began teaching science at Saint Rose Catholic School.



Mrs. Sankowski

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Mrs. Sankowski earned a Bachelor of Education degree in English and music from the University of Toledo. She has been teaching in the Diocese of Toledo for over 20 years. She has been at Saint Rose since 2016. She teaches seventh and eighth-grade language arts and literature in addition to her role as assistant principal at Saint Rose.



Ms. Bengela

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Ms. Bengela received her undergraduate degree in Adolescent to Young Adult [7-12] Education specialized in Mathematics from Bowling Green State University. She also received a minor in Psychology. She teaches the seventh and eighth-grade advanced mathematics courses as well as sixth-grade vocabulary, sixth-grade technology, and middle school technology electives.

## Curriculum Highlights

**Religion:** Major topics in the eighth-grade curriculum include: Church History, social justice, prayer, and Theology of the Body. Saint Rose School prepares Catholic eighth graders for the sacrament of Confirmation. The students explore the Works of Mercy in depth and carry out service to build the Kingdom of God on earth.

**Language Arts:** Students are exposed to literature in varied genres. Students sharpen analytical and critical thinking skills, viewing literature through multiple lenses. They practice employing these skills in real-world situations. Written Expression, focuses on narrative, argumentative, and expository writing. There is emphasis on grammar and sentence structure as well as mechanics and usage.

**Math:** Saint Rose offers three mathematics options for eighth graders. The first option is the standard eighth grade curriculum, which continues the prior-year's curriculum with a heavy emphasis on Algebra. An Algebra course is also offered, as well as the third option, which is a second-level high school math course.

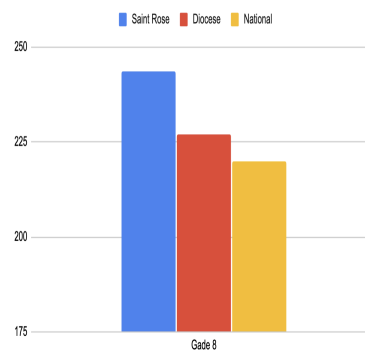
**Science:** The eighth grade-curriculum includes many exciting topics, such as forces and motion, species reproduction and genetics, as well as the earth changing processes and geologic time.

**Social Studies:** Beginning with the colonization of America by the British and the French, the curriculum delves into the causes of the Revolution, the Revolution itself, and the establishment of the Republic. The eighth grade-curriculum continues through the Civil War.

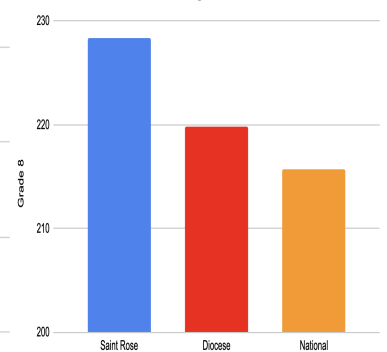
Students in Grades K-8 take the Measurement of Academic Performance (MAP) evaluations. Saint Rose School students score consistently higher than their peers in the Diocese of Toledo and across the United States.

### Fall 2025 NWEA MAP Scores

Grade 8 Fall 2025 MAP Math Scores



Grade 8 Fall 2025 MAP Reading Scores



The eighth-grade students research national monuments and then take a class trip to Washington D.C. and Gettysburg