

# Grade 8 Profile

Grade 8

2018-2019

## Teacher Highlights



**Ms. Beverick** has a Bachelor's Degree in Middle School Education with concentrations in Science and Mathematics from Bowling Green State University. Previous experience includes student teaching in Sylvania Schools. This is her fourth year teaching at Saint Rose School. Ms. Beverick teaches Middle School Science.



**Mrs. Brahier** received her undergraduate degree in Mathematics and her Master's Degree in Secondary Education. She previously taught for six years at two local Catholic high schools and has taught for 13 years at Saint Rose.



**Mrs. Cichocki** attended SUNY at Buffalo where she received both undergraduate and master degrees in Mathematics. During her tenure at Hamburg High School she not only taught Mathematics at Hamburg High School for 36 years, but she was also the National Honor Society Advisor for 26 years and the Secondary Mathematics Coordinator for 12 years. She also taught in the Buffalo State College Mathematics Program, and in the SUNY at Buffalo Gifted Math Program for over two decades. This is Mrs. Cichocki's first year at Saint Rose.



**Mrs. Croci** has a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Ohio University, and Masters in Education from the University of Denver. Her teaching experience includes preschool, and grades 2, 3 and 4. This is her seventh year teaching at Saint Rose.



**Mr. Kruse** received his Bachelor's in History and Communication Studies from Marquette University and his Master of Arts in Teaching at Bowling Green State University. Mr. Kruse teaches Eighth Grade Social Studies.



**Mrs. Sankowski** earned a Bachelor's of Education degree from the University of Toledo. She taught middle school at St. Catherine of Siena for thirteen years and St. John the Baptist for two years. Mrs. Sankowski teaches 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts.

## Curriculum Highlights

*Language Arts:* Students are offered reading experiences in a wide variety of genres. Novels for this course include *The Book Thief* and *The Giver*. Written expression focuses on narrative 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 8<sup>th</sup> Graders. The main 8<sup>th</sup> Grade curriculum continues the prior-year's curriculum with a heavy emphasis on Algebra. Mrs. Cichocki teaches an Algebra course as well as the third option, which is 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 set-up of the Republic. The Eighth Grade curriculum continues through the Civil War.

*Religion:* The Eighth Grade curriculum includes three major topics: Church history, Sacraments, and Social Justice. Saint Rose School prepares Catholic Eighth Graders for the sacrament of Confirmation. Religion includes an emphasis on service. The students develop action plan and carry out service to help build the Kingdom of God on earth.

**Eighth Grade students scored higher on the *Measurement of Academic Performance Tests* than the national and diocesan averages in all three subject areas this fall.**

Eighth Grade MAP Scores Fall 2018 (RIT)

