## Grade 8 Profile

Grade 8 2016-2017

Mrs. Brahier



Mrs. Sankowski



Kruse



Ms. Beverick



Dr. Brahie



## Teacher Highlights

Mrs. Brahier received her undergraduate degree in Mathematics and her Master's Degree in Secondary Education. She has taught for twelve years at Saint Rose School. Mrs. Brahier teaches 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Religion and Mathematics.

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.

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 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies.

Ms. Beverick received her Bachelor of Science in Education from Bowling Green State University. Her concentration is Math and Science. Ms. Beverick teaches 8th Grade Science.

Dr. Brahier has a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Toledo. He has been teaching at Saint Rose for twenty-eight years and teaches Honors 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics.

## 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 8<sup>th</sup> Grade curriculum continues the prior-year's curriculum with a heavy emphasis on Algebra. Dr. Daniel Brahier currently teaches a high school Honors Integrated Mathematics course.

*Science:* The 8<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> Grade curriculum continues through the Civil War.

Religion: The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade curriculum includes three major topics: Church history, Sacraments, and Social Justice. Saint Rose School prepares Catholic 8<sup>th</sup> graders for the sacrament of Confirmation. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Religion includes an emphasis on service. The students develop action plan and carry out service to help build the Kingdom of God on earth.

The eighth grade students scored higher on the "Measurement of Academic Performance" (MAP) than both the National and Diocesan averages in all four subject areas this school year.

