

School Profile

Saint Michael Indian School 1 Lupton Road, Hwy 12 P.O. Box 650

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Founded by the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament in 1902.

Mission:

Saint Michael Indian School provides students from local Native American communities with a quality education that is rooted in Catholic values, is sensitive to Native heritage, teaches leadership skills, and enables students to contribute in a culturally diverse world.

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Accrediting Agencies AdvancED

Western Catholic Educational Association (WCEA)

Enrollment 338, Kindergarten – Gr. 12

Ethnicity 91% American Indian or Alaskan Native

0.6% Black or African American

0.3% White

8% Two or more races

International 100% US Citizens

0% Non-US Citizens

Federal Lunch Aid	61%
Financial Aid	95%
Setting	Rural
2021 Graduating Class Size	22
College Bound	61% - 4 year; 9% - 2 yr; 9%- Military; 21% - undecided

Curriculum

The educational program at St. Michael Indian School consists of the following curriculum areas, with Religion being considered part of the core curriculum: Health and Physical Education, Mathematics, Religion, Social Studies, Language Arts, Music, Science, and Technology.

Students in grades K-12 are tested annually for academic progress using Star Renaissance. Students in grades 5, 8, and 12 are given the ACRE test from the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) for religious knowledge. ACRE testing is required by The Diocese of Gallup.

Graduation Date June 5, 2021

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Grading Scale (PK-12):	<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>GPA</u>
	Α	95 - 100	4.0
	A-	90 - 94	3.7
	B+	87 - 89	3.5
	В	84 - 86	3.0
	B-	80 - 83	2.7
	C+	77 - 79	2.5
	С	74 - 76	2.0
	C-	70 - 73	1.7
	D+	67 - 69	1.3
	D	65 - 66	1.5
	D-	60 - 64	1.0
	F	0 - 59	0
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Changes Made Due to Pandemic

For the 2020-21 school year we have made several changes to make learning feasible and safe in response to the pandemic:

- Distance learning for all students grades 3-12. Each student has been issued a school Chromebook, and attends classes via the Microsoft Teams platform. In March 2021 we began hybrid learning for grades K-12.
- Truncated schedule. We had planned for a staggered schedule, with 11th and 12th graders arriving for their first class at 12:05pm and taking five 50-minute classes until their school day ended at 4:55pm. We have kept this schedule for 11th and 12th graders in case we go to hybrid learning this year, as it would facilitate staggered arrival and departure times for students. Some 11th and 12th graders use their unscheduled morning hours to take one or two asynchronous classes if those classes are necessary for graduation.
- Academic calendar: First semester began on September 8, 2020, and ends January 22, 2021. Second semester begins January 25, 2021 and ends June 11, 2021.
- Instructional methods: Preschool is in-person only. Grades K-12 have lessons taught in a hybrid format with in-person and virtually via Microsoft Teams. Three classes are fully asynchronous; all synchronous courses meet for 50 minutes each day from Monday to Thursday, and on Friday students may request or be required to meet with teachers for individual or group tutoring. Some teachers assign asynchronous work to be completed on Fridays.