

Diocese of Grand Rapids				2024-2025 ACRE Scores			
5 schools participated in the ARK test and are not part of the diocesan average							
Pillar	5th Grade				Pillar	8th Grade	
	Diocese	National	St. Joseph			Diocese	National
Pillar 1 Profession of the Faith	70.7%	66%	66%		Pillar 1 Profession of the Faith	74.9%	69.0%
Pillar 2 Liturgy and Sacraments	63.1%	60%	64%		Pillar 2 Liturgy and Sacraments	64.7%	58.0%
Pillar 3 Life in Christ (Morality)	73.1%	71%	64%		Pillar 3 Life in Christ (Morality)	78.4%	72.0%
Pillar 4 Christian Prayer	58.50%	52.0%	51.3%		Pillar 4 Christian Prayer	77.1%	73.0%

The National Catholic Educational Association Information for Growth: Assessment of Children/Youth Religious Education (NCEA IFG: ACRE edition) is a reliable, tested tool for assessing Catholic religious education programs. Released in Fall 2013, NCEA IFG: ACRE edition intends to help Catholic educators and catechetical leaders evaluate local Catholic parish and school programs by gathering evidence of what particular groups of students know about Catholicism and how their lives reflect development as Christian disciples. In the Diocese of Grand Rapids our students are assessed in 5th grade, 8th grade, and 11th grade.

Like the Diocese of Grand Rapids Theology Curriculum Standards, the ACRE content questions cognitive faith knowledge according to the four pillars of the Catechism.

Pillar I: The Profession of Faith

Pillar II: The Celebration of the Christian Mystery (Liturgy and Sacraments)

Pillar III: Life in Christ

Pillar IV: Christian Prayer