

## COMMENDATIONS

The Visiting Team commends South City Catholic Academy for:

### Educational Issues

- Enhancing learning through the use of technology; specifically, iPads, Chromebooks, SmartBoards, and OneScreens.
- Providing support services for students including the Learning Center, Instructional Support Specialist, ETP, Title I, on-site speech and language services and school counselor.
- Creating and implementing an after school Homework Club that consists of faculty members working with students that need additional assistance in completion of classwork.
- Commitment to utilizing learning standards to drive curriculum and instruction, Understanding by Design, standards based grading, and a four-point scale in all grades K-8.
- Creating student-centered classrooms that encourage collaboration, project-based learning, and critical thinking.
- The use of flexible seating options throughout classrooms to enhance collaborative learning experiences.
- Increasing student interest and learning opportunities as evidenced by 5th - 8th grade students' participation in enrichment electives.
- Providing a variety of afterschool clubs and classes, i.e. Sculpture, Puppetry, Chess, Robotics, Rubix Cubes, Ambassadors, Student Government, Dance and Girls On The Run.
- Providing 4th - 8th grade students Band Lessons with practice playing a variety of instruments.