

## THE AUTISM SCHOLARSHIP

VASJ is proud to be certified by the Ohio Department of Education as a provider of educational services for students with mild to moderate learning differences who hold the Autism Scholarship. Students with the Scholarship who are accepted to VASJ experience the same inclusion, resource room and support services as our non-Autism Scholarship students who have IEP/SPs. However, we are not a comprehensive provider of every service that a student holding the Scholarship may need. For example, we do not provide speech or occupational therapy, etc, nor are we able to serve students with primary emotional or behavioral issues.



Villa Angela-St. Joseph  
High School

### VISIT US TO LEARN MORE

Thank you for your interest in VASJ! We encourage you to visit our campus and meet with our Admissions staff to find out how we can help your student develop the skills, confidence and creativity to succeed in their high school academics, college and life. You are your student's strongest advocate and we look forward to welcoming you and your student to our school community. See you soon in the Viking Village!

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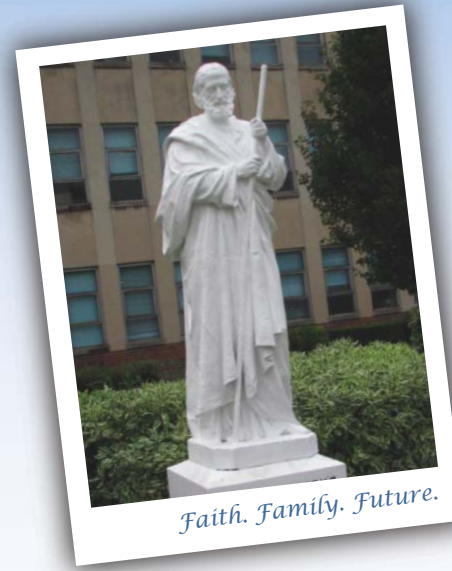
As a comprehensive college preparatory high school, VASJ is proud to provide our students with a curriculum that prepares them for college as well as for the practicalities of every day life. An important part of that curriculum is our program to serve students with learning differences who seek a mainstream Catholic high school experience that integrates support and services for them as specified by an Individual Education Plan (IEP) or Service Plan (SP).

VASJ's identity is built upon the Marianist and Ursuline values of community, quality education, inclusion, adaptation to change and emphasis on the individual within a caring, spiritual community. Our students come to us with a broad range of academic abilities and from varied socioeconomic and ethnic/racial backgrounds. Their common characteristic is that they all desire to attend a small, caring, Catholic High School. Our Marianist and Ursuline qualities have allowed us to create a learning environment that is welcoming, diverse, involved and empowers our students with the skills, knowledge and enthusiasm to continue their education at the college level and for a lifetime of learning.

Many bright students with learning variations have been served well by our Catholic grade school partners, public school systems and other private schools, but find few choices if they want to continue their high school education in a Catholic environment. The increased academic demands of high school, coupled with large numbers of students, can be challenging to students who, though they would like a 'mainstream' high school experience, need the support, individualized attention and resources that just cannot be met solely by a tutoring program.

At VASJ, we provide much more than after school tutoring to our students with special academic needs. Our comprehensive program combines inclusion into the regular classroom that is desired by both students and their parents in order to have the complete "high school experience," and a resource room environment for the core subjects of language arts and mathematics in which students can have one on one support by a licensed intervention specialist. Additional tutoring, counseling and mentoring are also important supplemental components to the experience we offer. Our students know that they will receive the support and assistance that they need while they are with us in order to graduate, continue onto college and meet their vision of success as they define it.

## ADMISSIONS



If a student has an IEP/SP, we request that the most recent IEP/SP and Evaluation Team Report (ETR) be submitted with the application, or even before the application is completed, so that our team may evaluate a student's educational needs. Submission of these materials is critically important in order to determine if we can provide the services that each student requires for academic success. If a student requires services that cannot be provided by VASJ, we will let you know before you have committed significant time toward completing the application process and before your student becomes invested in attending a school that would not be the right fit.

VASJ enrolls all students through a selective admissions process. Every student who desires admission to VASJ submits an application, teacher recommendations and is interviewed. Admission criteria include consideration of grades, behavior and attendance.

## SERVICES

VASJ students with learning differences enjoy the best of both worlds because they participate in classes with their peers and gain independence as high school students. They are provided with assistance from our licensed intervention specialists within a dedicated resource room space and are supported in their day-to-day learning and standardized test preparation. We prepare students for the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT) in 10th grade and for college admission exams. In addition, all VASJ students have access to services provided through our guidance department including one-on-one confidential counseling, testing, peer tutoring, college counseling, bereavement group, and other intervention services.

