



TOB CAMPUS • FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ANNUAL REPORT 2020

ORGANIZATION NAME: St. Ignatius Loyola School **CITY:** Cincinnati
DIOCESE: Archdiocese of Cincinnati **STATE:** Ohio

Briefly describe what you have done this school year *TO DEEPEN THE IMMERSION OF TEACHERS AND STAFF IN TOB*

- * During the Summer of 2019, all staff received a copy of *These Beautiful Bones*. All were invited to read the book, and in August small groups met to discuss the book and how it relates to the *Theology of the Body* and our dignity, worth, and purpose as children of God.
- * All grade levels are immersed in the TOB curriculum, on a weekly basis, throughout the school year. Many educators are present during these lessons, deepening their knowledge, vocabulary, and understanding of TOB.
- * We are a SCHOOL OF FAITH campus. Several times throughout the year, staff are immersed in experiencing the Christian Anthropology that informs TOB.

Briefly describe what you have done this school year *TO EDUCATE STUDENTS IN TOB IN EVERY GRADE*

- * To show our commitment to TOB, all grade levels are immersed in the TOB curriculum, on a weekly basis, throughout the school year. TOB concepts and vocabulary are delivered to students by two TOB trained educators, supporting and integrating the broader curriculum. Consistently giving the students the truth of their goodness and dignity encourages them to see themselves and others as gifts from God.

Briefly describe what you have done this school year

TO CREATIVELY PROMOTE TOB VISION AND CULTURE THROUGHOUT YOUR ORGANIZATION

- * The use of social media, specifically a @stignatiustob Instagram, informs the broader community of our TOB vision and culture. We show the uniqueness and value of our students and the many ways they experience TOB.
- * The dignity and value of every student is encouraged through a “Good Call of the Day” in which students are recognized for living and acting in virtuous ways, making gifts of themselves to and for others.
- * Each month we raise awareness of the virtues and Saints by incorporating them into our TOB curriculum, helping everyone understand who they are, how they are to live, and that we can become Saints!
- * Our virtues and saints of the month are visible on tv screens in the hallways. They are a constant reminder for students.
- * Also, our student news show (IWN) features the saint of the month. The principal takes a moment each month to tell a story about the virtue for the month.



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Please cite examples of INCREASES IN THE FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (CCC 1832: Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Generosity, Gentleness, Faithfulness, Modesty, Self-Control, Chastity) THAT HAVE BEEN WITNESSED WITHIN YOUR TOB CAMPUS (involving Staff, Teachers, Students, or Parents) THAT BEAR TESTIMONY TO YOUR EFFORTS

There are infinite examples of ways we see our community nurtured by TOB and how the Holy Spirit has continually been made known in it:

* A Fifth Grade student, new to our school, had never experienced TOB before this school year. She approached the educator at the end of a class, thanked her, and whispered, "Thank you for teaching TOB. I have learned to love myself."

* SO MANY students are speaking the "language" of TOB! "You ARE a gift!" "You ARE a child of God!"

* Many are more aware of what is true, good, and beautiful . . . not just in nature, but in one another.

* "My classroom culture has changed because I see God's love in my students every day. They respect their classmates and show God's love to each other through their actions. The vocabulary is helping communicate their feelings. I love TOB!!!" ~ Grade 1 Classroom Teacher

*"When you walked into my classroom each week, I always thought in my head, "THIS is what we need to teach in a Catholic school," and I felt a sense of peace listening to the interactions between you and our students. Even this morning, that one message that has been with me in a big way is that there are blessings even in tragedy, sadness, hurt, etc. It was so powerful watching 4th graders "get it," that even when bad things happen, we can seek God, and find His blessings." ~ 4th Grade Classroom Teacher

*I believe Theology of the Body allowed the students to see and realize in much greater depth that our bodies, minds, and hearts are made for love, and all this comes through God. The students, through scripture, picture books, and fun activities, were much more in tune with the truth that we are made in God's image. Yet, best of all was the application of this throughout discussions about our class novels and the treatment of each other. Like any good lesson, it is only as valuable as its application, and what I saw in the students, and the way TOB helped them grow and think as good Christians, it is the most valuable program we can give our most valuable asset: the children. I saw a real difference it made with my students, and their application rekindled my faith. It is a genuine, real, humane, and needed program. ~ 5th Grade Classroom Teacher

*Throughout the year the children were able to easily express how God made them uniquely unrepeatable. We had a family journal entry for Mother's Day and a prompt they had to finish was about what God said when his/her mom was born and many children said that God looked at their mothers and said they were unrepeatable. The boys also became aware that little acts of chivalry are easy to perform. They would suggest that the girls go first or would step back and let me go in front of them. ~ 2nd Grade Classroom Teacher



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***TOB had a huge impact on my first graders this year! I constantly overheard compliments to one another and even given to me. My class would make hundreds of little notes for ALL of the first graders that read "You are a gift from God" or "You are loved." I truly believe that TOB has changed the environment of our school. So excited to become a TOB Campus! ~ 1st Grade Classroom Teacher**

***I loved every bit of the TOB program for my kindergarten class. ...Lessons were simple, age appropriate, and meaningful to their little world. Every lesson children were reminded that they are unique, special, and loved. I stayed in the room for each lesson excited to see what I would take away from the class, and so I could continue with her message during the rest of the week. A very positive experience for me and all my little friends! ~Kindergarten Classroom Teacher**

*** TOB impacted my classroom in so many amazing ways! My students absolutely loved learning TOB each week. They often would relate what was taught in TOB to what we were working on... "Mrs. Geckle taught us that 2 weeks ago!" They learned about different saints and how they could relate to them. They read impactful stories and did meaningful activities that made our classroom feel more like a family. The students understood from TOB how to treat others who are different and how to lift people up in life! I believe that TOB is extremely beneficial to my students to help them grow into kind and faithful people. ~ Grade 3 Classroom Teacher**

"I chose you from the world, to go and bear fruit that will last, says the Lord."