



Mary Help of Christians Catholic School



2009 ITBS RESULTS SUMMARY

The results from the ITBS can provide unique information about individual students and classes for use in instructional planning. When used as intended, such batteries can be a useful supplement to teacher observations about what students are able to do and they can provide a starting point for monitoring year to year student development. Specific purposes for testing include matching instructional procedures to meet individual needs and to provide information for making administrative programming decisions that will accommodate developmental differences.

Grades 3 – 8 recently took the ITBS and the students are to be commended for their results. Most grade levels scored a full year above their current grade level with some scoring more than 2 years above level. Average Grade Equivalent is a decimal number that describes performance in terms of grade level and months. The digits to the left of the decimal point represent the grade and those to the right represent the month within that grade.

Grade	Average Grade Equivalent
3	3.9
4	5.5
5	6.3
6	7.5
7	9.8
8	10.0

The students also scored high compared to other students taking the test. In almost all grades, MHOC students scored in the top 25% nationally. Percentile Rank shows the relative position or rank in a group of students who are in the same grade and who were tested at the same time of year. For example, the fourth grade class scored better than 83% of all students taking the test.

Grade	National Percentile Rank
3	74%
4	79%
5	71%
6	69%
7	78%
8	66%

Our students did fine on the individual subtests as well. Most grades scored 1 to 2 years above grade level on the Reading Comprehension portion of the test. The Reading Comprehension test consists of reading passages that vary in length. Approximately two-thirds of the questions require students to draw inferences or to generalize about what they read. Students scored high in the Language and Math Problem Solving sections as well, averaging close to 2 years above grade level.

Congratulations to all of our students for all of their hard work and to the parents for facilitating this learning at home. We are a school of excellence and that is clearly evident by the success of our students.