



IGNITE curiosity,
DISCOVER community,
EXPERIENCE the world.

PARENT INFO PACKET



WHY NARDIN?

Founded in 1857, Nardin Academy is the oldest independent, Catholic school in Western New York. Known for academic excellence, Nardin Academy maximizes student potential with dynamic K – 8 classrooms that appeal to different learning styles and go beyond the regular curriculum.

Outside the limitations of New York State standardized tests, teachers have the flexibility to execute creative lessons and present material in ways which students find interesting, engaging and fun. Students in our Kindergarten through Grade 8 program experience an enhanced schedule featuring extended periods that cascade throughout a 6-day rotation to appeal to different learning styles. A DaVinci period, set aside for project-based learning, allows students to investigate and respond to real world problems, questions and challenges.

With local area high schools reporting that Nardin students are among the most prepared for success, Nardin students have a seamless transition to their first choice high school, continuing on to do amazing things for the world.

ARTS

Beginning in the earliest grades, the arts program at Nardin fosters passion. Boys and girls learn to think creatively, use self-expression, embrace individuality and showcase their talents at theaters and auditoriums in Western New York.

Along with health and wellness programs, all genres of dance are offered within the Lower and Middle School curriculum including ballet, jazz, line dancing, ballroom dance, creative movement, choreography, step aerobics, yoga and dance history.



Annual arts performances include:

Broadway Musical, Christmas Show and Performing Arts Night

Our recent
musicals:

*Aladdin, Grease,
and Lion King JR.*

Did you know?

Beginning in Kindergarten,
Nardin offers after school dance classes
and private music lessons.





ATHLETICS

Nardin Athletics helps students develop and maximize their individual talents as early as Kindergarten. Students can explore new sports, such as squash, build strength and character and be part of a team.

Nardin students participate on
16 *that play* **9**
teams sports

Over **65%** of
Nardin students
play 1 or more sports.

Our mascot:



Did you know?

With the sport of *Swimming*,
students can participate in Athletics
as early as Kindergarten.

SERVICE

Guided by the examples set by our founders, the Daughters of the Heart of Mary (DHM), our elementary students are committed to service and global citizenship.

Our students participate in service activities in partnership with: St. Luke's Mission of Mercy, Bornhava, The Ronald McDonald House, Baker Services and The Buffalo Animal Shelter.

All grade levels participate in school Masses and prayer services led by Fr. Dave Richards. Throughout the year, students in Grades 2 - 8 are assigned responsibility for each service.



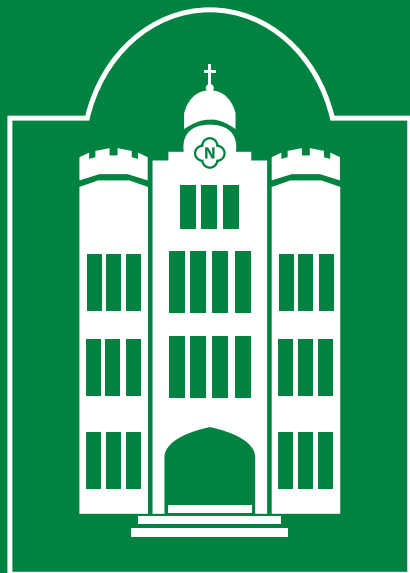
Nardin educates in the Catholic tradition with **17** different faiths represented across our community.





MAXIMIZING THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

AT NARDIN, YOU CAN ➡ build a robot, **join Lego Club**, cook a meal at Ronald McDonald House, participate in a math competition, learn to play multiple instruments, compete in a Hack-a-thon, sing in a choir, **compete on a team as a Nardin Gator**, learn about other cultures and religions, ski at Holiday Valley, raise money for local charities, **use a 3-D printer**, join student council, complete a project with students in other grades, **shine on stage in a Broadway musical**, create and film educational videos, **travel abroad on a service trip**, discover your passion for dance, build strong friendships, *do amazing things for the world.*



STEPS to APPLY

- Visit campus for Open House, the Kindergarten Experience program or a personal tour
- Apply and submit a non-refundable application fee of \$50
- Schedule a Shadow Visit (*grades 2 – 8*)
- Admissions testing (*K - grade 1 please call for an appointment; admissions test for grades 2 - 8 will occur on the day of the Shadow Visit*)
- Submit applicable letters of recommendation

*For more information, contact Danielle Dodman, Director of Admissions,
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OUR MISSION

INSPIRING HEARTS AND MINDS TO DO AMAZING THINGS FOR THE WORLD THROUGH FAITH, CHARACTER, ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND SERVICE.

FAST FACTS



Founded in **1857**

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public school districts
transport to Nardin Elementary



10:1 ratio in lower
grades with small groups
for reading and math

Nardin's dining hall produces food that is
100% scratch cooked,
organic when possible, and primarily locally sourced

2 world language classes
starting in Kindergarten



1:1 technology
program, in gr. K – 8



100% of 8th grade class
accepted by 1st choice high school

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