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Dear Trinity Academy Parents:

I am enclosing for you our recent student results on the *Iowa Test of Basic Skills* which was administered in May, 2016, to Trinity Academy students, grades K5-8th. Our school results this year were outstanding. As a school, we scored in the **top one percent nationally**, and our **Core Average** score in reading, grammar, spelling, math concepts and math computation was **99%**. This means that our students scored better than **99%** of students in the nation on these basic skills. The consistency of scores throughout the school shows both a curriculum and a faculty which are delivering a first rate educational experience to our students. Checking the scores at each level, you will find that most students scored consistently ahead of their grade by a full year or more.

Our **kindergarten** averaged **grade 1.7** (first grade seventh month) in their core total. Our **first grade** averaged **grade 3.1** (third grade first month) in their core total; our **second grade** averaged **grade 4.4** (fourth grade fourth month) in their core total; **third grade** averaged **grade 5.9** (fifth grade ninth month) in their core total; our **fourth grade** averaged **grade 8.4** (eighth grade fourth month) in their core total; our **fifth grade** averaged **grade 9.4** (ninth grade fourth month) in their core total; our **sixth grade** averaged **grade 12.5** (twelfth grade fifth month) in their core total; our **seventh grade** averaged **grade 13+** (college level work) in their core total; our **eighth grade** averaged **grade 13+** (college level work) in their core total throughout all their scores. These class average core scores represent a consistent level of competence throughout our grammar school education. Our rate of success is remarkable considering entrance to Trinity Academy is not based on IQ or rigorous entrance exams.

The *Iowa Test of Basic Skills* gives us a perspective on the academic achievement of individual students and of our whole school. This is a strong academic test, and the scores are a reliable indication of the relative strength and or weakness of our individual students. Our school was also commended for outstanding results in reading comprehension, a skill currently eroding at the grammar school level throughout our nation. In the state of Wisconsin and in particular the city of Milwaukee, most students are now reading at least several years *below* their grade level. Our school's core **Reading** score was **99%**, our core **Language** score (grammar, spelling, punctuation) was **99%** percentile, and our core **Math** score was **99% in relation to national school norms**. Congratulations to our entire faculty for their outstanding achievements with the student body.

Trinity Academy is committed to offering an outstanding education to all of our students in grades K-12. *We commend our faculty and students for such remarkable accomplishments!*

Wishing you a continued relaxing summer,

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