

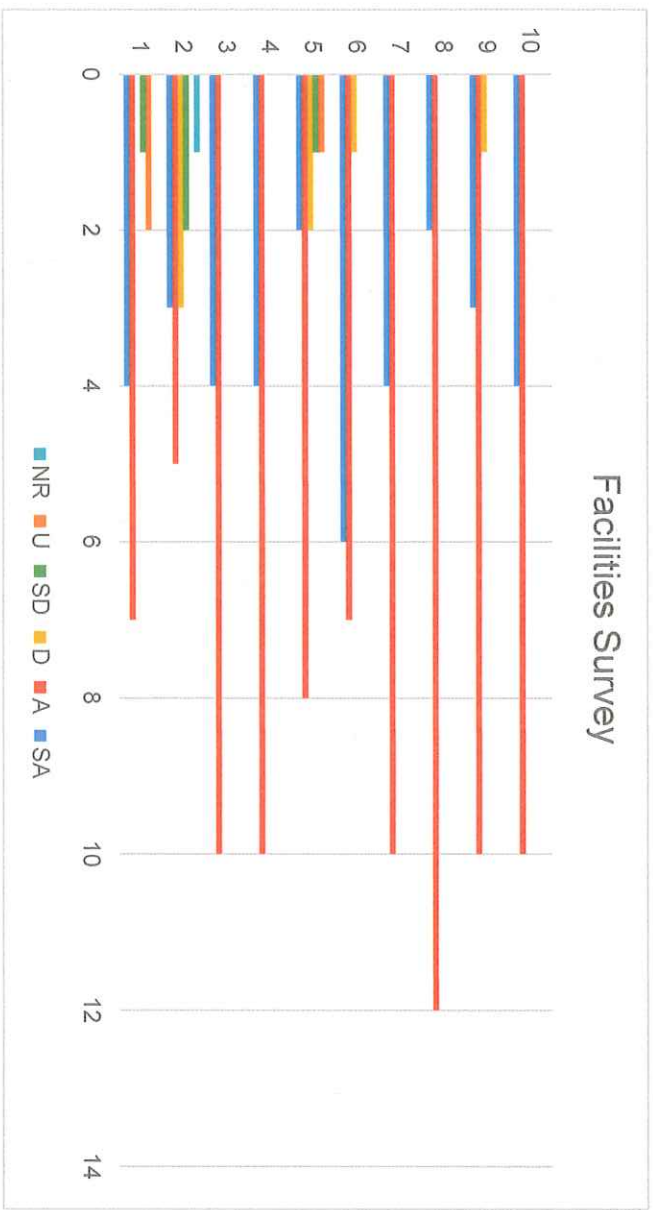
THE SCHOOL FACILITIES

The suitability of the facilities available to a school in terms of scope and general condition has serious impact upon the ability of that school to fulfill its stated sense of purpose and mission. This section of the self-study asks the school, under the leadership of the Buildings and Ground Committee of the Parish Council, to examine the school facilities as to their impact upon the overall school operation. Concerns such as sanitation, safety, and environment meaningfully affect the teaching, learning, and formational activities that take place in the Catholic elementary school and warrant close and professional attention. Schools are encouraged to reach outside the immediate school staff, if necessary, to enlist the talents and experience of individuals who may be able to contribute to this report.

Indicate to what extent you agree with the numbered statements. Circle SA for strongly agree, A for agree, D for disagree, SD for strongly disagree, and U for don't know. Then, answer any questions that follow the statements.

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| SA A D SD U | 1. Maintenance of school facilities is done in an orderly, and routine manner with an appropriate degree of input from the principal. |
| SA A D SD U | 2. The school building is maintained as a generally clean facility. |
| SA A D SD U | 3. The facilities available are sufficient to permit the school to pursue its stated philosophy and purposes. |
| SA A D SD U | 4. Learning spaces facilitate the effectiveness of the instructional program. |
| SA A D SD U | 5. A healthy and comfortable temperature is maintained in the school building. |
| SA A D SD U | 6. Light fixtures are adequate in number and in serviceable condition. |
| SA A D SD U | 7. The building is arranged to facilitate the safe and orderly movement of staff and students. |
| SA A D SD U | 8. There is an adequate degree of flexibility with reference to the use of space in the building. |
| SA A D SD U | 9. Equipment is maintained to be useful and safe for students and staff. |
| SA A D SD U | 10. Classroom space is used with an eye toward the stated philosophy and goals of the school. |

Question	SA	A	D	SD	U	NR
1	4	4	7	3	1	
2	3	3	5	2	1	
3	4	4	10		2	1
4	4	4	10			
5	2	2	8	2	1	1
6	6	6	7	1		
7	4	4	10			
8	2	2	12			
9	3	3	10	1		
10	4	4	10			





Facilities Survey Analysis

"We, the family of St. Mary's School, are committed to promoting Catholic values to God's children through faith, Christ-centered worship, service and academic excellence."

Over 80% of those given a survey, returned a survey and eight of the ten questions had over 80% of respondents either strongly agree or agree with the statement. The main areas of weaknesses are cleanliness of the school and the temperature of classes. Cleanliness is an issue for health reasons but also a sloppy school isn't conducive to learning, although other responses indicate that the facility has a strong learning environment. The other area of concern was a comfortable temperature. Follow up by the principal with staff indicated that some classrooms are too warm or too cold depending on location on the season and of the classroom (some days one classroom on third floor could be too warm while another on first too cold).

