



Bishop Hendricken High School

SELECT Honors Institute

An Honors program for academically motivated 8th grade boys

The SELECT Honors Institute is an innovative, five-year program for academically high-achieving boys entering the eighth grade. The Institute, which opened in the 2015-16 school year for qualified 8th grade boys, set new a standard for Catholic 8th grade curricula in the region. A custom curriculum for our SELECT scholars provides this group of talented boys with a rigorous academic track and open opportunities in later grades for university-caliber coursework in subjects ranging from engineering to philosophy.

The SELECT program is named for the Institute's six core tenets:

- **S- Scholarship:** Students will study a rigorous curriculum in Mathematics, Science and the Humanities, including many university-caliber courses.
- **E- Excellence:** Students will train to seek the highest achievement in areas in and outside the classroom, including Catholic values that form them as faith-filled young men.
- **L- Leadership:** Students will develop the confidence, critical thinking and communication skills to grow into their generation's most valued decision makers.
- **E- Expression:** Students will discover their unique talents and voice against the backdrop of classical and modern arts, languages and history.
- **C- Community:** Students will grow in awareness of significant issues in the neighborhoods, state, country and the world through volunteer work and knowledge of Catholic teaching.
- **T- Technology:** Students will employ state-of-the-art tools to prepare to thrive in a constantly shifting global economy.

Our SELECT 8th grade scholars will be offered the same rigor and breadth of experience available to our students in grades 9 – 12. We encourage these boys to develop a deeper grasp of concepts in inquiry-driven, collaborative and interactive classrooms. In addition, the SELECT cohort has an Advisory group for guidance, leadership training for peer ministry, a Christian service component, and interdisciplinary learning experiences through cultural development and travel opportunities.