

St. Gerard Campus rated third by Florida Monthly Magazine

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St. Gerard Campus has been ranked third out of the top 64 private high schools in Florida. The ranking was listed in the June issue of Florida Monthly Magazine.

It was based on student to full-time teacher ratio, and St. Gerard Campus, in the northeast area of the state, followed Stonesoup School, Inc., Crescent City, Putnam County, ranked second. Earning the top ranking was Grace Christian School of Alachua County, in the north central portion of the Sunshine State.

St. Joseph Academy of St. Augustine earned 38th place out of 63 schools listed by the magazine. "Thanks to the Lord Almighty, all of those who have faith in our program, and all who help us one way or another, Alleluia!" exclaimed E. Allan Wolff, husband of the founder and director of St. Gerard Campus, Caroline A. Wolff.

Other recent highlights for the school included a visit from two Jaguar football team players just before annual graduation ceremonies.

The players spent two hours listening to students express their goals and introducing their babies to the visitors.

The Jaguars were invited because "they have helped us financially in assisting in the cost of new computers and updating those that we have," Wolff explains. "Five of our students passed a test for Microsoft Word which will give them a credit for any college."

Eighteen seniors graduated this year, and 18 babies were capped and graduated from nursery school during ceremonies at which more than 500 people were in attendance. Some of the graduates are already enrolled in college and/or technical centers, and more than seven scholarships were awarded.

Unfortunately, this year was a struggle, health-wise, says Wolff. "This year, above all of the past 22 years, we were severely deluged and handicapped by illnesses of the babies," says Wolff. "We have had five seriously ill babies who were miraculously healed because of the prayers within the community, the St. Gerard Campus volunteers, students and staff."