Admission Policy - Elementary School

Saint Mary's Elementary School's admission procedure supports the mission of the school in its recruitment practice by encouraging candidates who demonstrate the ability to benefit from its academic environment and to meet the expectations of a Christian community. Students are admitted regardless of race, creed, color, socio-economic status and national or ethnic origin.



Requirements

Children applying for Pre-Kindergarten must be three years old on or before September 1st and be potty trained

Children applying for Kindergarten must be five years old on or before December 31 Children applying for grade 1 must be six years old on or before December 31 All new pupils in grades Pre K through 6 must present birth certificate, baptismal certificate (if applicable), immunization records, report records and standardized tests

Discover St. Mary's Elementary School: pray.. work.. study..

Pray

- Religion is taught from Pre-K through Grade 6
- Students pray daily in their classrooms
- Religion is always a part of the daily activities in the school community
- Reconciliation and First Communion Preparation is offered in grade 2
- Our faculty is dedicated to being a model of our Catholic faith, forming a solid spiritual foundation, building community, worshipping together and extending service to all
- Students attend First Friday Mass and reconciliation during the school year at Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish. In addition, students take part in Station of the Cross during Lent

Work

- The Elementary school community includes Grades Pre-K to 6
- Students are expected to succeed academically to the best of their ability
- After school activities include: tap dance, scrabble club, sewing club, fit club, arts and crafts, story time, Children of Mary, book buddies, drama club, chorus and band lessons
- Students work in the community by contributing to organizations that are in need
- Computer classes are offered from Pre-K to 6 once a week
- A fully-functioning library accessible to students

Study

- Fundamental subjects are taught starting in Pre-K and are enhanced every year with each grade level.
 - Major subjects: Religion, Reading, Language, Mathematics, Science, Social studies and handwriting
 - Enrichment Subjects: Music, Library, Physical Education, Computers, Spanish (Grade 3-6)
- Students are given nightly homework assignments that are determined according to their grade level; teachers also assign additional reports, long and short range projects, experiments or other activities to enhance the children's learning

- Parents are given quarterly reports for Grades 1 – 6 and Pre-K and Kindergarten parents are provided two progress reports

General Information about St. Mary's Elementary School

- The school day begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 2:15 p.m.
- Students in K through Grade 6 who live two (2) or more miles from the school and are residing in Worcester may ride a bus provided by the Worcester Public School program
- Students must be dressed in appropriate school uniform (except gym days)
- St. Mary's Schools are the only schools in the Diocese of Worcester to offer a PreK 12 program. St. Mary's Schools are in one location, simplifying scheduling and commuting for families and enhancing community life and encouraging family involvement
- All day Pre-K and Kindergarten programs are available; St. Mary's welcomes 3 and 4 year olds. Parents may choose how many days and which days of the week the child will attend.
- On-site before and after-school care is available. Before school care starts at 6:30 a.m. which includes breakfast provided by the school. After school care is available until 5:45 p.m.

Tuition

Fees

St. Mary's Elementary School is a parish school. The tuition is set each year by the principal and pastor of Our Lady of Czestochowa Church. A registration fee is required annually for each child. Parents or guardians are expected to enroll in Facts Tuition Program. Tuition and fees include textbooks and athletic participation. Active parishioners in the Worcester Diocese receive \$175.00 credit towards tuition. Financial Aid is available through the FACTS Grant and Aid Program for students who are registered.

2014-2015 Fees and Tuition Rates (subject to change)

Tuition K-6

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New Student Registration:	\$50.00	1st child:	\$4.205

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 Annual Re-registration:
 \$50.00
 2nd child:
 \$3,925.00

 Pre-K Instructional fee:
 \$100.00
 3rd child:
 \$3,445.00

 Pre-K fee – per day:
 \$25.00
 \$3,445.00

Parents Role in Education

The faculty and staff of St. Mary's Elementary School consider it a privilege to work with parents in the education of children because we believe parents are the primary educators of their children. It is your right and your duty to become the primary role models for the development of your child's life - physically, mentally, spiritually, emotionally and psychologically. Together, let us begin this year with a commitment to partnership as we support one another in helping your child become the best person he/she is capable of becoming.