



Admission Policy

Saint Mary School was founded in 1953. It strives to provide each student with a Christian Education in an atmosphere of understanding and cooperation with the home. The teaching staff is comprised of individuals dedicated to maximizing the educational process for elementary age students.

Admission – Kindergarten students must be five years old by October 1st. All new students must present a certificate of birth and baptism, a parent/guardian driver license, and a health record of immunizations and diseases. Acceptance into our school is based on the criteria listed below:

1. Children who have brothers and sisters attending our school and who are faithfully attending weekend masses.
2. Children registered in Saint Mary Early Childhood Center and who are faithfully attending weekend masses.
3. Registered members of Saint Mary Parish according to the date of registration in the Parish and who are faithfully attending weekend masses.
4. Families registered in other Catholic Parishes who are faithfully attending weekend masses.

If a student is transferring from another elementary school, St Mary Elementary School requires from students in grades 1 through 3, a copy of their latest report card and a copy of the most recent standardized test scores (i.e., SRA, CTBS, Iowa) For students in grades 4 through 7, a copy of the last three years' report cards and testing results are necessary. There is a \$25.00 non-refundable processing fee per student Upon acceptance the following fees are due:

\$160.00 non-refundable family registration fee
\$65.00 refundable technology fee per student

Grades 1-8 - For grades 1 – 8 new students who do not meet all admission standards may be accepted for the first semester on a probationary basis. Students who successfully complete the first semester will be permanently registered in the school. No student will be accepted until all required materials have been received and reviewed by the Admissions Committee.

Kindergarten – Three weeks after your child is accepted, a \$175.00 kindergarten supply fee will be due. This is a non-refundable fee. **If you do not respond by the deadline, the school will take the next child on the waiting list. Please respond promptly.** You will receive a letter if your child is on a waiting list.

Those families who need financial assistance must be registered and practicing members of Saint Mary Parish. They must express this in writing to the Principal.

The Catholic Schools within the Diocese of Trenton do no discriminate on the basis of race, sex, national or ethnic origin in the acceptance of students.