

SAS Frequently Asked Questions

Question: What grades do you serve?

- Saint Aidan School serves students in Nursery through Grade 8.

Nursery Half Day Program: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

2 Days: Tuesday/Thursday

3 Days: Monday/Wednesday/Friday

5 Days: Monday - Friday

Nursery Full Day Program: 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

2 Days: Tuesday/Thursday

3 Days: Monday/Wednesday/Friday

5 Days: Monday - Friday

Pre-Kindergarten Program: 8:00 AM - 2:30 PM

3 Days: Monday/Wednesday/Friday

5 Days: Monday - Friday

Question: How old does my child need to be to start school?

- Kindergarten students must be 5 years old by December 1st of the school year.
- Pre-K students must be 4 years old by December 1st of the school year.
- Nursery students must be 3 years old by December 1st of the school year.

*All students applying for admission must be fully toilet trained - pull-ups are not permitted.

Question: What are your school hours?

- Pre-K - Grade 8: 8:00 AM - 2:30 PM
- Full Day Nursery: 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
- Half Day Nursery: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Question: Do you offer extended hours? YES

- Nursery: Before Care: 7:40 AM - 8:30 AM (\$10 per day)
After Care: 2:30 PM - 5:00 PM (\$14 per hour for one child, \$16 for two, \$18 for 3 or more)
- Pre-K - 8: After Care: 2:30 PM - 6:00 PM (\$14 per hour for one child, \$16 for two, \$18 for 3 or more)

Question: What academics does your school offer?

- SAS prides itself on a rigorous educational program. All academic subjects are in line with Next Generation Learning Standards.
- All students receive religious education targeted for their age level. All students prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation within their Religion classes. Religion and Faith are interwoven throughout each grade and curriculum.
- In addition to our core subjects, we offer: Art, Music, Library, Physical Education and Technology with subject specific teachers.
- One-to-one iPad program complements class learning for all students in Kindergarten through Grade 8.
- We provide AIS (Academic Intervention Services) to meet the needs of students in reading and math. In addition, we work in partnership with our local school districts to provide IEP services to students.
- Our Inspiration Program provides students an opportunity to be challenged beyond our rigorous educational program.
- Algebra I is offered to all students in Grade 8. This class culminates with the students taking the NYS Algebra I Regents Exam.

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Question: What extracurricular activities do you have?

- CMSAA (Catholic Middle School Athletic Association): Girls Volleyball, Girls and Boys Basketball, Girls Softball and Boys Baseball
- Drama Program
- Band through Paul Effman Band Company
- Choir
- After School Enrichment Classes

Question: What is your enrollment?

- SAS is a Catholic Parish School with two sections of each grade from Kindergarten through Grade 8. Class sizes range from approximately 15- 22 students per class.
- Nursery and Pre-K have approximately 5 sections per grade with a range of 16-18 students per class.
- The school total enrollment is approximately 425 students.

Question: Can a child with special needs attend your school? YES

- AIS services are offered internally and we offer IEP services in cooperation with public school districts.

Question: How do you meet the mental health needs of the students?

- We are provided two school psychologists from our local school districts to meet the needs of all students.
- Participation in Diocesan mental health programs, such as H.E.P.P, as well as regular discussions within the curriculum, especially during religion class.

Question: Is tuition paid all at once, or can I make payments?

- SAS collects tuition through FACTS Management.
- Tuition is payable in 10 monthly installments from September through June or may be paid in full.

Question: Do you offer financial aid? YES

- Tomorrow's Hope Foundation Scholarships are available for students in Kindergarten through Grade 8.
- Awards are based on current economic circumstance and financial need.

Question: Do you offer discounts for a family who enrolls multiple children?

- Yes, we offer a 2 and 3 family student discount. With any family of 4 or more children enrolled, those families are included in the "3 or more" tuition price.

Question: Do students wear uniforms? YES

- Nursery and PreK students do not wear a uniform. PreK students may wear the gym uniform on Physical Education days.
- All other grades have a specific uniform. The uniform can be purchased through Flynn and O'Hara or are available from our "Uniform Closet". The Closet is run through PACE (Parents Acting for a Catholic Education) and has gently used uniforms from current and graduated students.

Question: Do students have transportation?

- Students enrolled in Kindergarten through grade 8 may be eligible for bussing through their local district.
- You must reach out to the district before their deadline for bus applications are due.

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