Admissions Policy 2021-2022



St. Paul Catholic School

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St. Paul Catholic School does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, creed, color, or national origin. Children who are Catholic and those who have siblings in the school are given precedence in the acceptance process. St. Paul Catholic School was founded to provide an education to Catholic students. It accepts other students based on availability, resources needed to meet student needs and the parental desire to provide a Catholic education for their children.

Admissions: Non-Transfer Students

In conformity with the Tennessee Code, requirements for admission are as follows:

- For Pre-Kindergarten, a child must be 3 years old by August 15, 2021 or 4 years old by August 15, 2021. An original birth certificate must be presented.
- For Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old by August 15, 2021. An original birth certificate must be presented as proof of date of birth.
- For first grade, a child must be 6 years old by August 15, 2021. An original birth certificate must be presented as proof of date of birth and a copy placed in the student's file.
- Proof of all necessary immunizations signed by health care provider, and a record of physical examination signed by a physician on the state-approved form. Recommendations before school entrance: vision, dental, and hearing exams.
- Most recent report card and standardized test scores.

An interview with school principal or principal designee is also required of all incoming students.

Admissions: Transfer Students

Students and their parents who wish to transfer to St. Paul Catholic School must demonstrate a desire to adhere to the philosophy and high standards maintained at the School. In addition, students must have the sharp intellectual aptitude and strong moral character required of all St. Paul Catholic students. Other requirements for admission include:

- Interview with school principal or principal designee.
- Testing done at St. Paul Catholic School to determine placement.
- Original birth certificate must be presented and a copy placed in the student's file.
- Proof of all necessary immunizations signed by health care provider, and a record of physical examination signed by a physician on the state-approved form. Recommendations before school entrance: vision, dental, and hearing exams.
- The student's most recent report card must be presented prior to acceptance. The report card must include a conduct grade.
- A copy of the student's most recent standardized test scores

Acceptance

All students who are accepted to St. Paul Catholic School begin school on a nine-week trial basis. During the first nine weeks, St. Paul Catholic School attempts to determine whether or not the school can meet the academic and behavioral needs of the student and/or if the student is well-suited for the school.