



**ST. VINCENT
DE PAUL**
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School admits students regardless of sex, race, color, national or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded to the students in the school.

Priority for Admission. Families who follow our application procedures and timeline will be admitted on the following priority basis:

- First priority for admission is given to children with siblings already attending St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School who are in good standing with the school.
- Second priority will be given to children of registered and participating members (defined below) of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.
- Third priority will be given to children of registered and participating members of other Catholic parishes.
- Fourth priority will be given to children of families who are non-registered/non-practicing Catholics.
- Fifth priority will be given to children of families from other religious denominations or faith backgrounds.

Kindergarten students must be five years of age by September 1 of the year they apply for admission.

Required at Time of Application:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptismal Certificate (if Catholic)
- Previous school transcript(s) and copy of standardized test scores (if transferring from another school)
- Letter of confirmation of registration/participation from home parish (if Catholic)
- \$50 non-refundable application fee
- Proof of medical exam and record of immunizations must be submitted by all new students before school begins. Additional medical/dental/vision exam requirements apply for certain grade levels.

As part of the admission process, families agree to maintain a commitment to the mission, goals, and religious values of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School through support of the policies outlined in the parent-student handbook. Students transferring to St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School from other schools will undergo a screening process to ensure that the student's previous record and reason for transfer are consistent with St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School's mission and goals. Transferring students must have a record free of major disciplinary incidents (e.g. suspension, expulsion, major infractions of school rules). In addition, if the information gathered indicates that St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School does not have the educational program to best serve the academic, behavioral, or social/emotional needs of the student, the student will not be accepted for admission. If a student has an Individual Education Program (IEP) that must also be submitted for review at the time the application is submitted.

Every Catholic is expected to join their parish community at Mass each Sunday and Holy Day to give thanks and praise to God. St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School offers a tuition discount to members of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church who are active participants. Because the parish makes this tuition discount available by contributing a significant sum to the operational expenses of the school, to be eligible for the discounted "parish member" rate, families must observe the following requirements:

- Be a registered parishioner at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.
- Participate in the celebration of Mass each Sunday and Holy Day.
- Annually renew their sacrificial giving pledge to the parish by submitting a Vocare card.
- Participate in at least one additional parish or school activity or ministry (e.g. lector, bible study, food pantry volunteer, Women's Guild, Men's Club, etc.).

Parishioner status will be monitored each December and June. Families who fail to maintain active parish membership at St. Vincent de Catholic Church will be charged the standard (non-parishioner) tuition rate beginning the next semester.