

**ADMISSIONS: ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS**

Since the formation of students in the Catholic faith heritage and its religious traditions is the primary purpose for which our Catholic schools have been founded, both parents and students must be willing to abide by the values inherent in our Catholic faith and by our philosophy of Catholic education.

Students who desire an educational experience founded on the Catholic philosophy of education and who fulfill the requirements and conditions for enrollment specified below, are eligible for admission to the Catholic schools in the Diocese of Harrisburg without discrimination with respect to sex, race or ethnic origin according to the subsequent provisions of this policy.

The request for the admission of students from a public or private school must be carefully reviewed and the reasons for the request examined. No student is to be admitted if there is any indication that the parents and students are seeking admission to avoid a racial/ethnic situation in a public or private school.

**AGE REQUIREMENTS:** The local school is to establish its entry level age for students to coincide as nearly as possible with the public school district which provides transportation to the greatest number of its students.

**HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:** It shall be the duty of the Principal/designee to ascertain that every student, prior to admission to school for the first time, including Pre-Kindergarten, has been immunized against such diseases as the Pennsylvania Secretary of Health may direct.

**ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS:** Students entering school from any grade other than entry level must provide proof of promotion to the grade for which they seek entry. In addition, the local school may require preliminary testing to ensure proper placement.

**CONDUCT REQUIREMENTS:** Students must be willing to abide by the discipline policies and regulations for students outlined by the diocese and those required by the local school as delineated in its school Student Handbook.

**FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Parents must agree to:

- a. Pay the amount of designated tuition according to the established schedule of the local school and to sign a written contract to this effect unless other financial arrangements are made.
- b. Provide the receiving school with a form indicating that they are free of any financial or other obligations from a former school.

**TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS:** Parents must agree not to seek school busing where the distance involved would cause unusual difficulty or expense to the public school district.

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