

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Students interested in applying to St. Mary's are encouraged to attend our Fall Open House. St. Mary's offers a shadow program, allowing prospective students the opportunity to spend a day visiting our school. Please contact Carole Frederick, Director of Admissions, to schedule an appointment to visit St. Mary's.

STUDENTS APPLYING FOR ADMISSION TO GRADE 7

There is limited enrollment due to the size of the junior high school. Students should apply as early as possible during their sixth-grade year. Interested applicants will be placed on a waiting list once all seats are filled. To be considered for acceptance:

- † Complete the **Application for Admission** and return it to the Admissions Office along with a \$25 non-refundable application fee.
- † Complete the **Transcript Release Form** and submit it to the school where you are currently enrolled. The school will be responsible for forwarding your transcript to St. Mary's. Students are accepted on a rolling admission basis and will be notified of acceptance when the application and transcript are received and reviewed.

STUDENTS APPLYING FOR ADMISSION TO GRADE 9

- † Register to take the **High School Placement Test**. This exam is offered at St. Mary's. (*See inserts for specific times and dates.*) Academic scholarships are based primarily upon the results of this exam with consideration given to seventh and eighth grade transcripts, other standardized test scores, and recommendations from your current school. The school code for St. Mary's is "28." Listing "28" on your answer sheet the day of the exam ensures that your test scores will be sent to us. This completes the first step for admission and consideration for an academic scholarship.
- † Complete the **Application for Admission** and return it, along with a \$25 non-refundable application fee, to the Admissions Office no later than January 1.
- † Complete the **Transcript Release Form** and submit it to the school where you are currently enrolled. Please allow at least two weeks for forwarding. It should be received at St. Mary's no later than January 1.
- † Acceptance letters and scholarship notification will be mailed on February 1.

STUDENTS APPLYING FOR ADMISSION TO GRADES 8, 10, 11, 12

Students, who wish to transfer to St. Mary's during the school year, or who are seeking admission for the following academic year, must complete and submit an Application for Admission (*include a \$25 non-refundable application fee*) and a **Transcript Release Form**.

FINANCIAL AID

Financial assistance is based on financial need. All families seeking financial aid must apply to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Applications are available at the St. Mary's Finance Office or online at www.factstuitionaid.com.



MISSION STATEMENT

St. Mary's is a co-educational, secondary school providing a college-preparatory education in keeping with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. Students are welcomed to St. Mary's regardless of religious affiliation, race, ethnicity or income level.

St. Mary's enables young people to develop harmoniously their intellectual, moral and physical talents so that they can acquire a more perfect sense of individual responsibility, a correct use of freedom, a capacity for productive participation in society, and ultimately, the attainment of eternal salvation.

St. Mary's accomplishes this by creating a learning environment where:

- † Students are challenged to grow in faith, wisdom and service to others.
- † Students are held to rigorous academic standards and supported by qualified and dedicated teachers.
- † Students are encouraged to participate in extracurricular activities to develop leadership, integrity, perseverance and collaborative excellence.
- † Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in the education of their child.





† HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM

FRESHMAN YEAR

Religion I (*Honors, CP I*)
 English I (*Honors, CP I*)
 Algebra I (*Honors, CP I, CP II*)
 Geometry (*Honors, CP I*)
 Western Civilization (*Honors, CP I*)
 Biology (*Honors, CP I, CP II*)
 Spanish I or II (*Honors, CP I*)
 Developmental Reading
 Word Processing

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Religion II (*Honors, CP I*)
 English II (*Honors, CP I*)
 Algebra II (*Honors, CP I*)
 Geometry (*Honors, CP I, CP II*)
 United States History I (*Honors, CP I*)
 Chemistry (*Honors, CP I, CP II*)
 Spanish I, II, or III (*Honors, CP I*)

JUNIOR YEAR

World Religions/Catholic Church
 History (*Honors, CP I*)
 AP English Composition
 Honors English III
 American Literature
 Algebra II (*Honors, CP I, CP II*)
 United States History II (*Honors, CP I*)
 AP United States History
 Environmental Science (*CP I*)
 Physics (*Honors, CP I, CP II*)
 Spanish II or III (*Honors, CP I*)
 Computer Technology (*Honors, CP I*)

SENIOR YEAR

Christian Morality and Lifestyles
 (*Honors, CP I*)
 AP English Literature
 Honors English IV
 World Literature
 Algebra III (*CP II*)
 Pre-Calculus/Calculus (*Honors*)
 Trigonometry or Discrete Math (*CP I*)
 Computer Technology (*Honors, CP I*)
 Introduction to Criminal Justice
 (*dual enrollment*)
 Forensic Science (*offered 2009-10*)
 AP Computer Science

ELECTIVE COURSES

(*junior and senior years only*)
 Accounting (*CP I*)
 Law (*CP I*)
 Psychology (*CP I*)
 Desktop Publishing/Journalism (*CP I*)
 Anatomy and Physiology (*Honors*)
 Humanities (*Honors*)
 Spanish III (*Honors, CP I*)
 Spanish IV (*Honors*)
 Business Today (*Honors, CP I*)
 Art I
 Environmental Science (*CP I*)
 Marine Biology
 AP Biology
 AP Statistics

AP = Advanced Placement
CP = College Prep

† JUNIOR HIGH CURRICULUM

St. Mary's belongs to a small group of Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Boston that offers an integrated junior and senior high school program (grades 7-12).

INTEGRATED FOCUS

The junior high course of study is based on the cumulative development of basic skills in all disciplines of grades 7 and 8. Study skills are an integral part of each course. This curriculum acts as the first two years of a six-year integrated curriculum offered at St. Mary's, and helps to prepare junior high students for entrance into the college-prep program. A diploma is granted upon successful completion of the course of study prescribed by the Archdiocese of Boston.

GRADE 7 PROGRAM

Religion
 Language Arts
 Math
 Life/Earth Science
 Global Studies I
 Physical Education/Health
 Art
 Library Skills
 Music

GRADE 8 PROGRAM

Religion
 Language Arts
 Math
 Physical Science
 Global Studies II
 Physical Education/Health
 Art
 Library Skills
 Music

INSTRUCTION, FACULTY AND FACILITIES

The faculty at St. Mary's is a dedicated group of professionals who recognize the individuality of each student. Our head of school, principal, junior high administrator, teachers and guidance counselors work together to prepare students academically, socially and spiritually for future endeavors.

St. Mary's has three full science laboratories (*physics, chemistry and biology*), two computer labs, gymnasium, cafeteria, school store and chapel. In addition, the William F. Connell Center, which opened in 2005, houses a state-of-the-art library and media center, a small chapel, 10 classrooms, a science lab, lecture hall and a technology center.



† STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Extracurricular activities are viewed as a vital component in the development of the total student at St. Mary's. We offer a variety of activities to fit everyone's needs and interests. Our sports teams compete in the Catholic Central League (CCL).

ACCREDITATION

St. Mary's has successfully met all requirements of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and is accredited through the year 2015.

NON-DISCRIMINATORY STATUS

St. Mary's admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin. St. Mary's does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational, scholarship, financial aid, athletic and extracurricular programs.

VOLUNTARY FUNDRAISING

Tuition income at St. Mary's does not cover what is necessary to meet the annual operating expenses of the school. For this reason, like virtually all Catholic schools, our budget relies on tuition and charitable giving.

Every year, the families are asked to participate in the St. Mary's Annual Fund in a manner commensurate with personal financial circumstances. The Annual Fund subsidizes all school programs and facilities, and benefits each and every student.

ATHLETICS

Fall

Football
 Boys Soccer
 Girls Soccer
 Football Cheerleading
 Girls Volleyball
 Boys Golf
 (2007 CCL champions)

Winter

Boys Basketball
 Girls Basketball
 Boys Ice Hockey
 Girls Ice Hockey
 (2008 Div 1 State Champions)
 Basketball Cheerleading
 Hockey Cheerleading
 Swimming

Spring

Baseball
 Softball (2008 Div. III
 North champions)
 Boys Track & Field
 Girls Track & Field
 Boys Tennis
 Girls Tennis
 Boys Lacrosse
 Girls Lacrosse
 Girls Golf

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Student Admissions Team
 Student Council
 National Honor Society
 Yearbook
 Spartan Times
 Community Service
 Chorus
 College Bowl

Dance Club
 Drama Club
 Mock Trial
 Science League
 Intramural Basketball (*co-ed*)
 Rachel's Challenge
 Campus Ministry programs
 Captain's Club