

Thank you for your interest in **St. Francis Parish School**. We are very proud of our Catholic school and are happy to share some information about our program with you. **St. Francis Parish School** educates students from Preschool through eighth grade. We operate a state licensed, on-site Pre-school for 2 ½ year olds through pre-kindergarten. Our school provides outstanding academics based on Gospel values. **St. Francis Parish School** is fully accredited through the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the Western Catholic Education Association (WCEA).

A typical school day begins at 7:50 a.m. and ends at 3:05 p.m. for K-4<sup>th</sup> and 3:20 p.m. for 5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>. Every Wednesday we have an early dismissal. to allow for our weekly faculty meetings and professional development. In addition to strong basic academics and religious studies, our technology curriculum focuses on computer skills including Google Classroom, keyboarding, using the Internet and desktop publishing. We also provide Spanish, music, art and physical education classes. Our students participate in a wide variety of activities including Project Lead the Way, student government, athletics, yearbook and newspaper, cheerleading, Kern County Oral Language Festival, Kern County Spelling Bee, Kern County Science Fair, History Day, ACADECA and various other projects.

Extended Care is available as early as 7:00 a.m. and as late as 6:00 p.m. We also offer an after school athletic program for students in grades five through eight with sports for both girls and boys.

All students in grades K-8 wear uniforms purchased through Dennis School Uniforms, Land's End or through our Student Store.

Our base Catholic rate tuition is \$7,737.53. Totals, **including all fees**, for grades K-8 for the 2022-2023 school year are as follows and will be collected in 12 monthly installments from June-May, made through FACTS. Camp KEEP and Graduation fees will be added when necessary.

Catholic Rate:	<b>Tuition &amp; Fees</b>	<b>Equal Monthly Payments</b>
One child	\$ 8,952. <sup>53</sup>	\$ 746. 04 per month for 12 months
Two children	\$ 16,899. <sup>69</sup>	\$ 1,408. 31 per month for 12 months
Three children	\$ 24,141. <sup>47</sup>	\$ 2,011. 79 per month for 12 months
Four children	\$ 30,677.87	\$ 2,556. <sup>49</sup> per month for 12 months
Non-Catholic Rate:		
One child	\$ 9,452. <sup>53</sup>	\$ 787. 71 per month for 12 months
Two children	\$ 17,854. <sup>69</sup>	\$ 1,487.89 per month for 12 months
Three children	\$ 25,506. <sup>47</sup>	\$ 2,125.54 per month for 12 months

# MATERIALS AND INSTRUCTION FEE: \$565.00 per student

- All <u>students</u> will be billed a non-refundable materials and instruction fee of \$565.00 per child. This fee includes: FACTS Tuition fee \$40, book fee \$200 (textbooks, workbooks, educational materials), student activity/supply fee \$85, PTO fee \$30, (1) yearbook per student \$35, field trip expense \$50, Diocesan assessment \$50, retreat fee \$15, Christian Families fee \$10, and PE/ fine arts fee \$50.
- There is a \$35 athletic participation fee that will be assessed per student, per sport.

## **TECHNOLOGY FEE:** \$250.00 per student

All <u>students</u> will be billed a technology fee of \$250.00 per child. The technology fee supports costs associated with equipment upkeep and replacement, including but not limited to: internet expense, Wi-Fi, computers, iPads, chromebooks, Project Lead the Way, Software, Smart Board Technology maintenance and teacher training. This includes a \$30 digital communication School Information Systems fee that covers texting, Gradebook and Google Classroom integrations. As education becomes more "technology" centric, not only do we need to purchase new tools, equipment and software, but we have to have the infrastructure to be able support those new initiatives as they come on board. This fee partially offsets those expenses.

## **PARENT HOURS FEE:** \$300.00 per family due at time of registration

• All <u>families</u> will be billed at \$30 per hour for a total **parent participation fee of \$300**. Family FACTS tuition accounts will be credited throughout the year as hours are completed. Hours must be completed at a Church or School major fundraiser (i.e. Fiesta, Miscellaneous PTO Events, Golf Tournament, BBQ, CrabFest, etc.).

iPad Purchase: Management

- We are getting quotes to assure the lowest possible costs to families.
- Incoming 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be required to purchase a new device.
- 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade students can bring their own device or purchase a new device.

6th Grade Camp KEEP Fee: \$500.00 payable in 12 monthly installments of \$41.67 through FACTS Tuition Management

8th Grade Activity/Graduation Fees: \$300.00 payable in 12 monthly installments of \$25.00 through FACTS Tuition Management

• The 8th grade fee supports costs associated with graduation, including but not limited to; back to school retreat, end of year retreat, graduation gown, diplomas, awards, invitations, programs, decorations, flowers, grad tile, and bowling party.

St. Francis Parish School strives to provide excellence in student-centered education through integration of faith, family and friends. We promote the development of an educated, confident, self-disciplined and community-conscious Catholic Christian. St. Francis Parish School recognizes the parents as the primary educators of their children and will work with them in partnership to prepare students spiritually, academically and socially.

### Mission Statement

St. Francis Parish School provides excellence in Catholic education by preparing critical-thinking, disciplined, active Christian leaders.

School - Wide Learning Expectations

### St. Francis School Students are:

1.	Active Chri	stian Leaders who: Respect and appreciate nature and all people as part of God's creation. Make good, moral choices. Live and practice their Catholic/Christian faith.
2.	Life Long learners who:	
		Have a foundation in all subject areas and possess organizational skills. Can express thoughts in written and oral form.
		Appreciate the pursuit of knowledge.
		Are creative and self-motivated.
3.	Problem Solvers who:	
		Have the ability to set objectives and accomplish goals.
		Use critical thinking and analytical skills.
		Are able to adapt to change.
		Make responsible decisions.
4.	Responsible Citizens who:	
	·	Are aware that actions have consequences.
		Have a sense of integrity.
		Exhibit good sportsmanship and citizenship.

All new students are tested to ensure a successful transition to St. Francis. Pre-kindergarten students are evaluated for school readiness and maturity. We do not regularly accept junior high transfer students, unless transferring from a Catholic school. Please submit a copy of your child's most recent report card, standardized test scores, and upon request a letter of recommendation from either the child's teacher or principal.

All new families must pay a new family registration fee of \$100, materials and instruction fees of \$565 per student in advance, to secure your placement in a classroom. These fees are Non-Refundable.