

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 2:50 p.m. for TK-4th and 3:05 p.m. for 5th-8th. Every Wednesday we have an early dismissal to allow for our weekly faculty meetings and professional development. In addition to strong basic academics, STEM and religious studies, our students actively use technology with the Google Education Suite. 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 cheerleading, Kern County Oral Language Festival, Kern County Spelling Bee, Kern County Science Fair, History Day, ACADECA, Knowledge Bowl 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 all grades TK through eight with sports for both girls and boys. All students in grades TK-8 wear uniforms purchased through Tommy Hilfigger or our Student Store.

Base Catholic Tuition \$8,640.88 Totals, **including all fees except CAP USE**, for grades TK-8 for the 2024-2025 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: Tuition & Fees Equal Monthly Payments

One child \$ 10,490.⁸⁸ \$ 857.⁵⁷ per month for 12 months Two children \$ 19,504.⁰⁸ \$ 1,608.⁶⁷ per month for 12 months Three children \$ 27,739.⁶⁰ \$ 2,294.⁹⁷ per month for 12 months Four children \$ 35,197.⁴⁵ \$ 2,916.⁴⁵ per month for 12 months

Non-Catholic Rate:

One child \$ 10,990.⁸⁸ \$ 899.²⁴ per month for 12 months Two children \$ 20,459.⁸⁸ \$ 1,688.²⁶ per month for 12 months Three children \$ 29,104.⁶⁰ \$ 2,408.⁷² per month for 12 months

\$200 per family security fee has been added to your tuition and is billed at 12 equal payments of \$16.67 per month

MATERIALS AND INSTRUCTION FEE: \$700.00 per student

- All students will be billed a non-refundable materials and instruction fee of \$700.00 per child. This fee includes: FACTS Tuition fee \$40, book fee \$250 (textbooks, workbooks, educational materials), student activity/supply fee \$125, PTO fee \$50, (1) yearbook per student \$40, field trip expense \$75, Diocesan assessment \$50, Christian Families/Retreat fee \$20, and PE/ fine arts fee \$50.
- There is a \$75 athletic participation fee that will be assessed per student, per sport.

TECHNOLOGY FEE: \$250.00 per student

• All students 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.

CAP USE FEE: \$200.00 per student

• The Cap Use Fee is assessed annually to each student and is used to cover depreciation, building repair and replacement and future capital expansion.

PARENT HOURS FEE: \$500.00 per family

All families will be billed at \$50 per hour for a total parent participation fee of \$500. 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.).

ALL FAMILIES ARE REQUIRED TO SET-UP AN AUTOMATIC PAYMENT PLAN ON FACTS, UTILIZING A CHECKING, SAVINGS, OR DEBIT CARD. YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO START SCHOOL WITHOUT A PLAN IN PLACE. IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE OR HAVE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, PLEASE CONTACT STELLA GARCIA (661) 327-4737, ext 113.

iPad Purchase: All Junior High Devices will be placed on our management system

- Incoming 6th-8th grade students will be required to purchase a new device for school use only.
- iPad Purchase Plan Options will be sent to all 6th grade families.

6th Grade Camp KEEP Fee: \$550.00 payable in 12 monthly installments of \$45.84 through FACTS Tuition Management

8th Grade Activity/Graduation Fees: \$420.⁰⁰ payable in 12 monthly installments of \$35.00 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, grad dinner 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.

STANDARD CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT

TERMS: I understand and agree that this agreement extends until the graduation of the student(s) from SFPS or the termination of this agreement as provided herein. Accordingly, I understand the term of this agreement shall be in effect from the date of enrollment and shall renew automatically for each successive academic year until graduation from SFPS unless and until this agreement is terminated by SFPS or written notice of termination from me is received in the SFPS Admissions Office on or before *March 31st of each year beginning March 2017. Simply stated, if my student(s) will not be returning the following school year, I assume all responsibility for notifying SFPS in writing by March 31st of the current school year. I acknowledge that the tuition and fees charged for the academic year are for a place within SFPS and not for a period of attendance and that the absence of a student during that academic year does not materially reduce the expenses of SFPS. I agree that the absence, academic failure, or withdrawal of the student during the academic year shall not excuse, alter, abate nor nullify my obligations for tuition and certain other charges and fees through the academic year.

* Unique Circumstances.

St. Francis Parish School recognizes that family plans change. For any unique circumstances (such as the following) families disenrolling after the announced deadline will be exempt from the 1-month tuition penalty:

- Moving/Relocation 25+ miles away from St. Francis Parish School.
- Disenrollment at the request of St. Francis Parish School.
- Other circumstances as approved by the school administrator.

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, plus the per student materials and instruction fees of \$700, along with a \$200 Cap Use Fee to secure your placement in a classroom. These fees are Non-Refundable,