



Holy Family Parish School

"Inspire, Educate and Prepare"

February 10, 2009

Dear Parents,

Holy Family Parish School offers a safe, supportive, nurturing learning environment with a philosophy that is consistent with a Catholic family's values and attitudes. Our mission is to inspire, educate, and prepare our students for a Christ-centered life of learning, faith, and service. Thank you for your interest in our school. Please review the following information to familiarize yourself with our detailed application process. If you have any questions as you navigate this process, please refer to the contact information at the end of this letter.

Enclosed you will find:

1. Student Application Form
2. Financial Commitment Overview
3. Teacher Recommendation Form
(There are separate forms for kindergarten applicants and grades 1-8 applicants.)
4. Principal Recommendation Form
5. Parent Questionnaire

The order of preference for admitting students is as follows:

1. Students currently enrolled in Holy Family Parish School.
2. Siblings of currently enrolled students.
3. Date of parish registration for parent or guardian, participation in the faith life of the parish, consistent Stewardship to the parish, volunteer service to the parish or school.
4. Children of Holy Family Parish School alumni or children who have attended Holy Family Parish Preschool.

Other considerations may include Catholics registered in other parishes or other special circumstances.

Applicants to grades 1-8 will need to provide the following as part of the application process:

- Copies of most recent report card and previous year's report card.
- Current teacher's recommendation form.
- Copies of the student's most recent standardized test scores.
- Applicants may be interviewed and/or tested by the administrators and/or teachers.

Kindergarten applicants, in addition to requirements above:

- The kindergarten teachers and reading specialist will screen applicants for kindergarten readiness March 4 or 5.
- In order to be screened for readiness, the completed application, copy of birth certificate, and copy of Baptismal certificate (if not baptized at Holy Family Parish) must be received by the school principal by February 25.
- The screening sessions will be comprised of applicants from current and new families. Since screening is a requirement, we are not able to make accommodations for preschool attendance or activity classes.
- After the completed application materials are received, you will be notified via email of the screening day and time assigned. Please confirm that your current email address is clearly printed on your application as email is our preferred manner of communication.
- The kindergarten recommendation form must be completed by the student's present teacher and sent to the Holy Family Parish School principal by March 6.
- Students applying for kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before August 31, 2009.

The application period begins on Wednesday, February 11 at 9:00 a.m. and ends on Wednesday February 25 at 3:00 p.m. Completed applications may be mailed or delivered to the school office. Families will be notified of the status of their student application at the end of March. If you have further questions, please call the school office Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. or email me or Vice Principal Pam Sprute PSprute@HFKSchool.org.

Peace,

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