

## **ADMISSION POLICY**

St. Patrick School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at our school. Similar policies apply to the school staff. Our school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, its admission policies or in any school-administered program.

### General Admission Policy

1. Parents/guardians desire a Catholic education for their children.
2. Parents/guardians and children agree to cooperate and uphold the rules and regulations of the school.
3. Parents/guardians(parishioners and non-parishioners) will pay the stated or agreed upon tuition fees.
4. Parents/guardians of non-Catholic students understand that their children will study the Catholic faith, receive a grade that is part of the total general average, and participate in all liturgies and prayer services. A commitment form to this effect must be signed by parents/guardians.

### Order of Admission

1. Parishioners with children already enrolled in St. Patrick School.
2. Parishioners
3. Non-parishioners with children already enrolled in St. Patrick School
4. Non-parishioners

### Documents needed for Admission

1. Birth certificate
2. Baptismal certificate
3. Proof of immunization

### Immunization

Pennsylvania legislation requires that all children at any grade, kindergarten through grade 12, show proof of immunization before they can attend school in the Commonwealth, unless an exemption for medical or religious reasons is granted. The following minimum immunizations are required at all grade levels:

1. Diphtheria and Tetanus- three dose initial series and a fourth dose administered on or after the child's fourth birthday
2. Polio- three or more dose series
3. Measles, Rubella and Mumps- first dose administered at 12 months of age or older, and a second dose of measles vaccine

preferably administered as MMR combination. This is required for all children grades 1 through 12.

4. Hepatitis B- three properly spaced doses
5. Chicken Pox- required

After acceptance of the General Admission Policies, the following procedure is required:

1. All kindergarten students must be five years of age by September 1
2. All first grade students must be six years of age by September 1
3. At the time of registration, the following documents must be presented:
  - a. Copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate if he/she was not baptized at St. Patrick Church.
  - b. Copy of the child's Birth Certificate
  - c. Copy of immunization record
  - d. Non-refundable registration fee per child
4. Parents are to inform school officials of any testing (psychological, physical, learning disability, etc.) that has been done for the child. All information will be held in confidence.
5. Students are admitted to St. Patrick School if vacancies exist.
6. A copy of the student's report card and any teacher comments are required for all students.