

**St. Charles Catholic School**  
**929 18<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**San Diego, CA 92154**  
**(619) 423-3701**

This question and answer format has been chosen to briefly answer some of the questions that are most commonly asked in regards to our school.

**1. Who may apply for admission at St. Charles Catholic School?**

Admission of students is determined on the following priorities:

- St. Charles parishioners who are registered with the parish and contribute regularly using the envelopes for at least one year
- Non-supporting parishioners of St. Charles Parish
- Catholics
- Non Catholics

Catholic students who have siblings already enrolled will be given additional consideration.

Families with outstanding balances at other Diocesan schools will not be admitted until all accounts are settled.

**2. What is the process of acceptance?**

**Application must be accompanied by:**

- A. Verification of Baptism**
- B. Immunization Record**
- C. The last report card (Except Kindergarten applicants)**
- D. Language Survey form**

If there is space available in a desired grade, then the application is reviewed. A readiness test is required of all applying students.

**3. What kind of testing do the children receive?**

The children are tested to determine the readiness of the youngster to enter a given grade. This brief testing, along with review of the last report card, assists St. Charles Catholic School in screening for special needs. If special needs do seem present, the school must then evaluate if these needs can be effectively addressed at St. Charles Catholic School.

**Kindergarten and First Grade** assessment is based on a developmental approach. Motor skills, oral language skills and adaptive abilities are assessed. It is very helpful if you do not refer to this assessment as a "test" because it is not a test of something the child should have already learned. The word frightens some children. The child's maturity and readiness to learn reading skills are evaluated. Preschool is not required, but is very helpful in preparing the child for Kindergarten. Your child must be 5 years old by September 1<sup>st</sup> in order to be considered for kindergarten placement or 6 years old by September 1<sup>st</sup> for 1<sup>st</sup> grade.

**4. Are there any fees attached to application?**

No. However, registration, testing and application fee must be paid prior to testing if we have a space available for your child. Registration fees are refundable if the child is not accepted. It is non-refundable if the child is accepted but family changes their mind and declines to enroll him/her in our school.

**5. Do parishioners receive a reduced rate of tuition?**

Yes. There are three rates of tuition: Supporting Parishioner, Catholic Non-Parishioner and Non Catholic. In order to receive the Supporting Parishioner rate you must be registered with St. Charles Church and contribute regularly for a year in the numbered envelopes. Those who do not contribute regularly will be charged at the Non-Parishioner rate.

**6. Is tuition assistance available?**

Tuition Assistance is available on a very limited basis and is only available for families who have been at St. Charles Catholic School for at least one year and are registered parishioners. Applications for Tuition Assistance are available in the school office.

**7. Do the students receive religious education?**

Yes. Every grade level receives daily religious instruction. St. Charles Catholic School uses an integrated approach to religious instruction. In addition to the set time for religion, Catholic values and faith instruction permeate all other academic courses. Catholic community is lived at St. Charles Catholic School. Students are encouraged to actively live the Gospel message discussed in the classroom. Students pray together on a daily basis. Children in grade 2 are prepared for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

All religion teachers are required to be certified by the Diocese of San Diego.

**8. Do the children wear uniforms?**

Yes. Students are required to purchase a full uniform for school as well as a PE Uniform. Uniform information will be provided with your registration packet or may be obtained in the school office.

**9. What are the school hours?**

The school hours are from 7:55 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays and 7:55 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. On minimum days (first Friday of the month and special holidays) the hours are 7:55 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**10. Is there a hot lunch program?**

The Nutrition Center sells hot lunch to our students every day.

**11. Is there childcare before/after normal school hours?**

Extended Care is available from 6:00 a.m. to 7:55 a.m. every day and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays) on regular days and from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on minimum days.

***Mission Statement***

*St. Charles Catholic School strives to educate and develop the whole student so they may reach their potential as Catholic individuals. We integrate multiple cultures, embrace student learning styles, incorporate dynamic learning strategies and implement the use of technology. (new for 2008-09)*

**Philosophy**

The St. Charles Catholic School community forms a faith-centered environment that reflects the Gospel message of Jesus. Students are motivated to continually acquire knowledge and be responsible for their own learning experience. They will respect and value other cultures and traditions. In this process, we recognize that parents are the primary educators of their child(ren). Students will grow in a safe and nurturing atmosphere to form a respectful, service oriented community. We strive to be compassionate individuals, "kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving, imitators of God and loving, as Christ loved us." (Ephesians 4:32, 5:1-2)

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**Office use only**

Sibling applying for:

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_ School Year Applying for \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our school? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Did one of our families recommend our school? If yes, please write the name of the family: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Present Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Applying for \_\_\_\_\_ Language(s) spoken at home \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Month/Day/Year

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_ email address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Sacraments received: Baptism [ ] First Reconciliation [ ] First Eucharist [ ]

**Father's Information**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

US Citizen [ ] Yes [ ] No Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Mother's Information**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

US Citizen [ ] Yes [ ] No Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**\*This space for administrative use only\***

Accept Non Accept Parishioner Non Parishioner Non Catholic

Probationary Accept

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_  Sibling(s) at St. Charles Catholic School

Test Date \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher giving test \_\_\_\_\_

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Baptism  Report Card  Immunization Record  Language Survey  Legal Name Document

**General Information**

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip

**Home Condition**  
 1. Mother & Father present at home  5. Father Deceased  
 2. Single Parent  6. Mother Remarried  
 3. Parents Divorced  7. Father Remarried  
 4. Mother Deceased  8. Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Ethnic Origin**  
 1. Hispanic  4. Caucasian  
 2. Asian/Pacific Islander  5. African Amer.  
 3. American Indian  6. Multiracial  
 7. Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School that child attends \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Public School where child resides \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Brothers / Sisters:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Present Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
 Applying at St. Charles Catholic School? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, for what grade? \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Present Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
 Applying at St. Charles Catholic School? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, for what grade? \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Information**

Are you a supporting registered parishioner at St. Charles Parish?  Yes  No

If yes, how long have you been at this Parish? \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of church where parents were married \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_

Is anyone in your family a graduate of St. Charles Catholic School? If yes, please complete:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Year Graduated \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you seeking to enroll your child at St. Charles Catholic School? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Health Information**

Please indicate any health difficulties that the child exhibits (i.e. glasses, hearing, allergies, etc.). Please explain:

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**Has your child ever had a Speech or Occupational Therapy evaluation?** \_\_\_\_\_

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