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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your interest in St. Philip's School. I am delighted that you are considering us in your search, and I look forward to meeting you. I have been part of this amazing school community for over 18 years, and I can attest to the quality of instruction, the warm and caring atmosphere, and the strong values that combine to make this truly a wonderful community.

We take pride in our commitment to an educational experience that meets the needs of the whole child. Academic excellence, faith formation, and enrichment programs create an environment where every child is nurtured and motivated. We encourage our students to grow in knowledge and faith, and to reach their full potential as unique individuals and global citizens.

St. Philip's School is a community, where teachers and parents work collaboratively to provide learning experiences for the students. They are encouraged to become BRUINS - Beacons of Faith, Responsible Citizens, Unique People, Independent Thinkers, and Nurturing Individuals.

St. Philip's School offers the following programs & support to its students and parents:

- WASC accredited Preschool and TK/Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grades
- Full day TK/Kindergarten 8th Grade
- Resource Teachers (TK/K-8)
- School Counselor & Mindfulness Coach
- 1:1 technology devices for Grades TK/K-8
- Spanish curriculum (TK/K-8)
- P.E. classes (TK/K-8)
- Art classes (TK/K-8)
- Music classes (TK/K-5)
- Gardening Program (TK/K-3)
- STEM, Mindfulness & Art Electives, Trades, Fashion/Style & Computer Systems (S-M-A-R-T-S) for Middle School
- Instructional aides
- Competitive Sports Teams
- Affordable Extended Care

- After school enrichment programs, including Lego Robotics, French, Band, Percussion, Choir, Chess, Art, Fashion/Style and American Sign Language
- Academic Decathlon
- Hot lunch programs
- Buddy Program & Bruin Families
- Liturgical Ministry (6-8)
- Altar Serving
- Sacramental preparation
- Service opportunities
- High School application preparation & support

# **High School Admissions**

Our graduates are consistently accepted to top-tier high schools in the Bay Area, with an acceptance rate of approximately 97% of first or second choices. We are incredibly proud of their success! Below is a list of schools our graduates have been accepted to in the last 5 years:

Mercy High School
Mercy Burlingame
Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory
Saint Ignatius College Preparatory
San Francisco Waldorf School
School of the Arts
Stuart Hall High School
The Urban School
University High School
Washington High School

## Admission Eligibility TK

A child must turn five years of age between September 1 - December 31 to be eligible for Transitional Kindergarten (TK). It is advisable that children have pre-school experience before attending TK.

## Admission Eligibility Kinder - 8th (These Guidelines are set by our Department of Catholic Schools)

A child must be five years of age by September 1 to be eligible for entrance into Kindergarten. It is advisable that children have pre-school experience before attending Kindergarten.

## **School Tours**

We encourage you to take a school tour to experience St. Philip School's excellence in education first-hand!

## **Application Process**

Application due dates: <u>TK/Kindergarten</u>: December 13, 2024

Grades 1 - 8: February 7, 2025

Application includes:

- Completed online application forms
- Child's birth certificate
- Baptism certificate (if applicable)
- Recent report card(s): previous 2 years for Grades 2-8; previous year for Grade 1; preschool record form for TK/K (if applicable)
- \$100 non-refundable application fee
- You will be contacted to schedule your child's screening date (applicable to TK/K only) when your application is completed and returned. Please bring your child to his/her screening at the assigned time.
- You will be notified of acceptance within 2 weeks of your child's assessment (TK/K applicants) and within a week of your child's assessment (Grades 1 8 applicants).
- There is a \$550 non-refundable Registration Fee due within 2 weeks of acceptance to hold a spot.

# St. Philip's Community

The St. Philip School parents listed below are available to answer any of your questions. Please don't hesitate to call or email them.

Name	Grade(s)	Phone	Email
Marjolein Van Boven	1st & 3rd	(628) 202-6298	marjoleinvboven@gmail.com
Christy Ventura	4th & 8th	(415) 861-9154	christy@ventura-tech.com
Tosha Ellison	8th	(415) 215-3563	toshaellison@yahoo.com

Thank you for considering St. Philip's School for your child and family. Please feel free to call me, the school office, or the above noted parents with any questions about our school, programs and daily activities. We appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely

Mary McKeever

Ms. Mary McKeever

Principal