



June 8, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Earlier this year I shared that St. Mary School suspended the Iowa Assessment based on recommendations from the Office of Catholic Schools for the Diocese of Camden. Suspension of Iowa was primarily due to the logistical and educational challenges of COVID-19.

Instead, we administered the Star Assessment, an online computer adaptive assessment in Reading and Math, to Grades 1 to 8 this academic year. The assessment was given to students once in the Fall, Winter and Spring.

The Star Assessment provided us with scores that are comparable to scores that we receive from the Iowa Assessment. Today we are sending home the parent reports in student's communication folders that outline your child's most recent performance on Star Math and Star Reading. Remote student parents and guardians may pick up their reports from the main office. They will not be in the pick-up box. These reports are similar to the Iowa reports. If you have any questions about the information in the reports, please contact your child's teacher. **You DO NOT have to return them with parent/guardian signature.**

Also enclosed in the envelope is your student's Fitness Gram from Gym Class.

Thank you,
Mrs. Patricia Mancuso
Principal



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Today we wished the best to Father Mazz, our Pastor. Father has been at OLOPP for 12 years. He will soon be moving on to another parish. I am so grateful for his support of our school over the years. We have been blessed to have him with us for so long.

We have a few exciting events to look forward to in the next two weeks! On Friday we will have our closing Liturgy led by our 8th graders, where the students will have the opportunity to say goodbye and good luck to their 8th grade friends. On Monday, June 14th students in grades K-7 will be participating in our Moving-Up Day. This will give the children an opportunity to see what it's going to be like in the next grade! Next week we will celebrate with our preschool and kindergarten students at their Closing Ceremonies.

The summer reading list will be in our on line communication next Tuesday and the supply lists will be posted on the front page of our website in late June. A list of teachers who are available for tutoring during the summer is available in our online communication.

The last week of August you will receive an email from Mrs. Morales with a link to view your individual child/childrens homeroom teacher. **If we do not have your correct email address you will not be able to receive the link.** If you are currently not receiving emails from St. Mary School, please send your email address to Mrs. DiNunzio at mainoffice@smarys.org.

God's Blessings,

Mrs. Patricia Mancuso
Principal

Saint Mary School

2021-2022 School Year

Tuition Policy/Financial Matters

Parents/guardians are obligated to pay tuition in order to obtain educational services for their children. It is the parent's/guardian's responsibility to maintain their financial commitments to the school. In the event of a financial hardship resulting in non-payment, you must contact the principal. The school may, but is not obligated to, send reminders or other notices regarding outstanding bills. Failure to make payments when due, or to make arrangements with the school for payment of delinquent obligations, may result in the termination of RenWeb or discontinuation of educational services to your child, possibly leading to disenrollment. In those cases where students are in eighth grade, documents including transcripts and diplomas will not be provided if you have a delinquent balance with the school. All present year tuition must be paid in full before the last day of the school year or the student's placement for the upcoming school year will not be guaranteed. Unpaid bills may be referred to a collection agency. Costs associated with the collection will be added to the parent/guardian fees. There is no tuition responsibility for withdraw prior to June 30th for the upcoming school year. For withdraws on or after July 1, please see policy on next page..

Tuition payments are collected monthly through FACTS Tuition Management Services. Tuition is paid by automatic deduction from either your checking or savings account. FACTS will also accept payments using MasterCard, Discover or American Express. Please note there is a 2.85% convenience fee charged to the credit card holder. Confidentiality of all account information is guaranteed. Payments are deducted on the 5th or the 17th of each month beginning in July and ending in April. A late fee of \$30.00 will be assessed to your account if any payment is not received within 10 days from the payment due date. FACTS will charge a \$30.00 failed payment fee for any attempt that fails AND they will make a total of three attempts. New admissions during school year will be required to spread their payments over remaining months through April. All initial questions regarding the FACTS Tuition Program should be made to Mary Baron (629-6190 ext.21) in the Finance Office.

Tuition may also be paid in full through **FACTS Tuition only** and payment is expected before June 15th for the next school year. A late fee will be assessed if payment is not received by June 30th.

Tuition Assistance: Applications for tuition assistance must be done on-line only through FACTS. There is a \$25 non-refundable application fee to FACTS to apply for assistance.

**Please review our Tuition Refund Policy Addendum regarding
In-School and Remote Learning found on the last page of
This document**

Tuition Refund Policy

Grades K-8 Refund Policy

In the event of a student leaving St. Mary School during the school year (1st day of school to the last day of school) or during the months of July and August:

1-If tuition has been PAID IN FULL, based on the time of withdraw, only a percentage of tuition will be refunded. See schedule below for the tuition amount that will be owed (therefore not refunded if paid in full) to St. Mary School at time of withdraw.

2- If tuition payments are being done MONTHLY (July-April) or based on the schedule agreed upon at time of enrollment, a percentage of the total amount of tuition for the year will be owed/due to St. Mary School (see table below for specific dates)—there will be no refunds of tuition already paid in the prior months to the withdraw

There is no tuition responsibility for withdraw prior to June 30th for the upcoming school year. For withdraws on or after July 1st, please see policy below.

Withdraw/Transfer Prior to:	% Annual Tuition Refundable If paid in full	% Annual Tuition Owed
August 1	90%	10%
September 1	80%	20%
October 1	70%	30%
November 1	60%	40%
December 1	50%	50%
January 1	40%	60%
February 1	30%	70%
March 1	20%	80%
April 1	0%	100%

Grades K-8 Partial Year Policy

In the event of a student enrolling at St. Mary School during the year, tuition is due to the school, according to the following schedule:

* Enrollment Prior to:	% Annual Tuition Owed
Up to September 15	100%
October 1	90%
November 1	80%
December 1	70%
January 1	60%
February 1	50%
March 1	40%
April 1	30%
May 1	20%

** Enrollment refers to when a student registers for St. Mary School not when he/she is scheduled to begin his/her first day at St. Mary School.*

Pre-School Programs

In the event of a student leaving St. Mary School during the school year (1st day of school to the last day of school) or during the months of July and August:

1-If tuition has been PAID IN FULL, based on the time of withdraw, only a percentage of tuition will be refunded. See schedule below for the tuition amount that will be owed (therefore not refunded if paid in full) to St. Mary School at time of withdraw.

2- If tuition payments are being done MONTHLY (July-April) or based on the schedule agreed upon at time of enrollment, a percentage of the total amount of tuition for the year will be owed/due to St. Mary School (see table below for specific dates)—there will be no refunds of tuition already paid in the prior months to the withdraw

There is no tuition responsibility for withdraw prior to June 30th for the upcoming school year. For withdraws on or after July 1st, please see policy below.

For late enrollees, please see K-8 partial year policy from previous page.

Withdraw/Transfer Prior to:	% Annual Tuition Refundable If paid in full	% Annual Tuition Owed		
August 1	90%	10%		
September 1	80%	20%		
October 1	70%	30%		
November 1	60%	40%		
December 1	50%	50%		
January 1	40%	60%		
February 1	30%	70%		
March 1	20%	80%		
April 1	0%	100%		

If there is a change in the number of days a student is enrolled in preschool, the new tuition rate will become effective on the first of the month following the change. There will be no refunds of prior monies paid or increases in the month of change.

Note: For K-8 and Pre-School, registration and other fees are due regardless of date of enrollment.

Tuition Rates are determined by the Finance Committee based on information provided by the Diocesan Office. There is a Catholic and Non-Catholic tuition rate. The definition of each category is below:

Catholic: Parent/Guardian must be registered in a Catholic parish and the child must have a valid Baptismal certificate. At least one parent must be Catholic.

Non-Catholic: Religion other than Catholic. Greek Orthodox will be considered Non-Catholic. Children must still participate in Religion classes and participate in Liturgical events. Non-Catholic students participate in sacramental classes but are not eligible to make the sacrament.

St. Mary School
Tuition Refund Policy
Remote Learning

Remote Learning Tuition Guidelines:

- Learning will continue during times of Remote Learning.
- Tuition will continue to come out as scheduled per your FACTS agreement.
- Tuition is for 180 days of instruction which St. Mary School will continue to provide
- There will be no refunds of previous tuition paid.
- Withdraw guidelines in the current Tuition Refund Policy will remain in effect throughout the time of Remote Learning
- If your child/ren are instructed to go onto Remote Learning because of the need to quarantine, Tuition will continue to come out as scheduled per your FACTS agreement. St. Mary School will continue to provide your child/ren instruction while he/she/they are on Remote Learning and withdraw guidelines in the current Tuition Refund Policy will remain in effect during the entire time of their Remote Learning.
- If you need to quarantine upon return from a different state/country because you have traveled to any of the states/countries listed by New Jersey as areas in which travelers must quarantine for 14 days upon return to New Jersey--Tuition will continue to come out as scheduled per your FACTS agreement. St. Mary School will continue to provide your child/ren instruction while he/she/they are on Remote Learning and withdraw guidelines in the current Tuition Refund Policy will remain in effect during the entire time of their Remote Learning.

Whether in school or remote learning, St. Mary School is committed to providing excellent education which aligns with your family values.

THANK YOU.

JOIN ST. MARY SCHOOL VIRTUALLY FOR A FACEBOOK LIVE OF OUR MONTHLY SCHOOL MASS

Friday, June 11, 2021 at 9 A.M.

St. Mary School Closing Liturgy
Led by our 8th Grade

Watch our monthly St. Mary School Mass – LIVE on our official St. Mary School Facebook page during a Facebook LIVE.

Mass begins at 9 A.M.

You can like our official St. Mary School Facebook page by searching on
Facebook:

stmarysschoolwilliamstown

Or if you are not on Facebook, you can click our official Facebook page located on the bottom front of our website, www.smarys.org. Just click the Facebook icon—you may have to refresh the screen a few times before Mass begins or even during the Mass.



Facebook:

Stmarysschoolwilliamstown

School masses will be held once a month. Due to social distancing restrictions, one grade will attend the mass while the other grades will live stream through Facebook. Grade 8 will be attending our mass. We will be following all guidelines set forth by the Diocese of Camden regarding masses.

A NOTE OF THANKS

The members of St. Mary's PTA would like to thank everyone for their support for this year's Basket Raffle.

Thank you to all sponsors for your continued dedication to our school. Thank you to all families and family owned businesses that donated fabulous prizes and items for baskets.

Thank you to all of our SMS families who donated towards the student's classroom baskets!
All of these baskets were beautiful!

Thank you to ALL volunteers for taking time out of your busy schedules to help prepare for this wonderful event. It takes a village from start to finish and the PTA will be forever grateful for our "village".

God Bless you and thank you!

Attention: Parents/Guardians

If you would like to volunteer **next school year** and you have not yet been fingerprinted, please email Mrs. Morales at mainoffice2@smarys.org and she will send home fingerprint paperwork for you.

Thank you!

St. Mary School PDQ Restaurant Gift Card Sale!



Please help support St. Mary School !!

We are offering \$10.00 PDQ gift cards for \$8.00.

Place your order today!

They make great gifts!

Please enclose the completed form below with your payment -- cash or check (made payable to St. Mary School) Attention: Advancement Office and return it to school. There is a limited supply of gift cards. Don't' delay order yours today!

PDQ Gift Card Sale

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Number of cards: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ (Please circle-- cash or check)



Dear Parents/Guardians:

The 8th grade yearbook staff has put together a wonderful collection of memories of the 2020 – 2021 school year. If you are interested in purchasing a yearbook, please click on the link below. The cost of the yearbook is \$26.66. The 8th grade students do not need to purchase a yearbook as it was included in their graduation fee.

<http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A05208500>

The yearbooks will be delivered to school and sent home sometime in June.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Graber
Ms. Brino
8th grade teachers

Need a tutor for the summer?



Some students need a summer connection with learning to be more successful in September. Teachers are available for summer tutoring. They include:

Mrs. Maria Howard (All subjects for students entering grades 3, 4, 7 & 8) email 5b@smarys.org

Mrs. Mary Wendler (Math, Phonics and Language Arts for students entering grades K-3) call 856-264-2565

Miss Gianna Morales, SMS substitute teacher and Rowan University Education Major - Senior (Math for students entering grades K, 1, 2, 5 & 6) (Language Arts for students entering grades 5 & 6) email gmorales018@yahoo.com



ACTION ALERT

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!!

PLEASE TAKE 5 MINUTES TO

HELP OUR CATHOLIC

SCHOOL STUDENTS!!!

PLEASE LOG IN TO THE VOTER VOICE SYSTEM USING THE FOLLOWING LINK TO ASK YOUR LEGISLATORS IN TRENTON TO SUPPORT INCREASES IN FUNDING FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THE AREAS OF TRANSPORTATION AND TECHNOLOGY.

<https://www.votervoice.net/NJCC/Campaigns/83759/Respond>

Thank you for your support.



Let's Keep the Ball in Play! It's Time for Williamstown's Summer & Fall Tennis Programs!



10th Successful Year! Train With & Learn From the BEST

MITCH WINKLER, Coach

Premier SJ/Phila Professional Coach
Phila Inquirer HS Coach of Year
Only SJ Girls Coach to Win Sectional Championships at 2 Different Schools
Courier Post All SJ Player of Year
Haddonfield HS Development Coach

BRITTANY REEDMAN, Founder

#1 Singles Player The College of NJ
NJAC Rookie of the Year
ITA Northeast Regional Finalist
4 Year WHS #1 Singles Player
SJ Times Tennis Player of Year
Winner SJ Times GC Tournament

And Our Wonderful Assistant Coaches!

Summer Tennis Program, WMS Courts

7 Consecutive Thursdays Starting July 8th, \$99

*High School 4:30-5:30, Middle School 5:30-6:30, Elementary 6:30-7:30

Fall Tennis Program, WMS Courts

7 Consecutive Saturdays Starting September 11th, \$99

*Elementary 3:15-4:15, Middle School 4:15-5:15, High School 5:15-6:15

*Times/Grades/Groupings Tentative and Subject to Change Based on Final Enrollment.

Sessions Held at Williamstown Middle School Courts. *Space is Limited so Act Fast!*

For more info contact TennisAce926@comcast.net or 856-307-1230

Please mail/drop-off check payable to Connie Reedman, 1400 Woodland Court, Williamstown, 08094

Player Name: _____

Player Age: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____ Cell #: _____

Circle Session: Summer Elem Summer Middle Summer HS Fall Elem Fall Middle Fall HS