



2018 Parent Introduction Information
St Francis of Assisi School
Gates Mills, OH



Students Learn by Getting Their Hands Dirty

Whether they are planting tomatoes to use for our annual summer festival, flying a drone to learn more about aviation, or feeding sharks at the aquarium, St. Francis of Assisi students are encouraged to learn by doing. By providing hands-on experiences through our state recognized STREAM (science, technology, religion, engineering, art, and math) program and our innovative use of tablet and personal computers, SFA students can discover the world right at their fingertips.



"I definitely felt prepared when I got to high school. My time at St. Francis continues to help me succeed both in and out of the classroom."

— Emma Tibaldi '16, Sophomore,
Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin High School

SPECIAL CLASSES

- Art
- Music
- Computer/Technology
- Physical Education
- Library
- Spanish
- Band

RESOURCE CLASSES

- Gifted Program
- Speech & Language Therapy
- LD and Remedial Tutoring
- Psychology/Counseling



Compassion Through Their Example to Others

It has been argued that no one else in history was as dedicated as St. Francis of Assisi at imitating the life and carrying out the work of Christ, in Christ's own way. It is why our school motto is "to live like Francis." Every day, SFA students walk in the footsteps of St. Francis, as our work is also a prayer to develop Christian leaders in our faith-based community. SFA students are encouraged:

- To be decision-makers whose conscience is formed by the teachings of the Catholic Church
- To be witnesses to the faith
- To be respectful people of integrity
- To be committed to justice
- To work in collaboration with others
- To be community builders
- To be stewards of the environment
- To be active in parish life



Acts of Service

Service projects allow our students to practice and witness the relationship of loving God and loving our neighbor by serving others in our community. Every student is encouraged to understand the meaning of service for others while being challenged to think critically for real-life problem solving. Learning the language of faith and its application within a variety of service experiences expands the meaning and relevance of "Living Like St. Francis" for our students.

St. Francis of Assisi Students participate in a variety of service activities to:

- Provide hospitality ministry for the homeless with St. Mary Church in Painesville through the Karpos Ministry.
- Make blankets for children in Hillcrest Hospital.
- Visit the elderly at Villa Serena and area nursing homes to sing, play games and do craft projects.
- Collect food for the area food bank.
- Adopt families at Christmas time.
- Collect pet supplies for area animal shelters.
- Make gifts for the homebound.
- Collect donations and "adopt" an endangered animal through World Wildlife Fund.
- Participate in Heifer International's 'Read to Feed' program.
- Socktober: Collect socks in October for the homeless.

"I feel good when we do things for others. My class recently went to visit the elderly at Gates Mills Club and we spent the morning talking with the residents, playing cards and singing songs. It made me happy to see so many people smiling and having fun. I like that we do activities like this at St. Francis."

— Tyler Fink '21, Lyndhurst



A School for Families

Why do parents choose St. Francis of Assisi for their son or daughter? Quite simply, St. Francis is a school for families. For more than 60 years, St. Francis has educated the heart, mind, and soul of students, many who return with their own children. They find St. Francis to be a community of active, involved, and caring families, who together have formed strong bonds and work for the good of students. It is common to find SFA parents helping in the school at lunch, moderating a club or activity, coaching a CYO team, or helping to fundraise at our walk-a-thon, gala, or festival.

You will find a group of dedicated educators and staff who are caring, compassionate, knowledgeable, faith-filled and committed to providing your child a supportive and rigorous learning environment. Consistently recognized with local, state, and national awards and designations, they are the backbone of our school. With a long history of excellence, St. Francis of Assisi School continues to serve the parish and local community by providing an opportunity for families to experience Catholic Education at its finest.



"When it unexpectedly became necessary to make a change in our children's education, we visited many different schools. It was the Catholic community at St. Francis that helped us feel right at home, and our transition transferring here was seamless. Coming to St. Francis has been the best decision for our family!"

**— Becky & Jared Roach, South Euclid,
Parents of Anthony '20, Tobias '21,
Caleb '24, Dominic '26 and Celeste '27**

"This is our 11th year at St. Francis school and we have thoroughly enjoyed our experience. The teachers and staff genuinely care about our children and their progress. It is very easy to volunteer and there are so many opportunities to for parents to be an active part of their school experience. The atmosphere at SFA is loving and the families we have met have become friends for life!"

**— Denise & Danny Fedeli, Highland Heights,
Parents of Sami '18 and Gianni '21**



"The education my son received at SFA has not only allowed him to flourish academically in high school, but has also provided him with the confidence and spiritual strength to get involved outside the classroom in positive ways. He has been motivated to get involved in clubs, peer-tutoring, and sports, resulting in a very rewarding freshman experience."

**— Amy & Kevin Rottinghaus, Willoughby Hills,
Parents of Joe '17, Mac '20 and Jane '23**

FAITH ENRICHMENT THROUGH RELIGIOUS ACTIVITY

- Daily religion lessons
- Weekly school Masses
- Service projects
- Prayer partners
- Liturgical seasons
- Prayer services
- Sacramental preparation
- Sacraments
- Serving as Lectors
- Altar server training and service
- Children's Choir
- Retreats

CLUBS, SPORTS & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Student Council
- Power of the Pen
- After School Art & STEM Camps
- Academic Challenge
- Science Olympiad
- Altar Servers Mass Lectors
- Band
- Choir
- Brownies
- Girl Scouts
- Boy Scouts
- Newscast
- Drama
- Math League
- Geography Bee
- Speech Competition
- Yearbook
- Chess Club
- Student Ambassadors
- Safety Patrol
- CYO Sports
- Art Programs
- Science Fair
- Camp Invention



ADMISSIONS/TUITION INFORMATION

Open registration begins in January for new and returning families. Open Houses are held throughout the year or by appointment with school administration. Prospective families may visit to tour the school or shadow and meet with the principal.

2018-2019 K-8 TUITION SCALE

	Number of Day School Students				
	1	2	3	*4	*5
Cost @ \$5,700 per Student	\$ 6,300	\$ 12,600	\$ 18,900	\$ 25,200	\$ 31,500
Parish Subsidy <i>(includes multi-student discounts)</i>	\$ 1,900	\$ 4,064	\$ 6,492	\$ 9,184	\$ 12,140
2018-2019 rate @ \$4,400 per student	\$ 4,400	\$ 8,800	\$ 13,200	\$ 17,600	\$ 22,000
Parishioner Multi-Student Discount @ 3%		\$ 264	\$ 792	\$ 1,584	\$ 2,640
2018-2019 Active Parishioner Rates	\$ 4,400	\$ 8,536	\$ 12,408	\$ 16,016	\$ 19,360
2018-2019 Non-Parishioner Rates	\$ 6,300	\$ 12,600	\$ 18,900	\$ 25,200	\$ 31,500

REGISTRATION FEE:

St. Francis of Assisi requires a \$175.00 registration fee per student with your registration agreement in order to hold a spot for your child/children.

P.T.O. FEE:

There will be a \$20 per family non-refundable P.T.O. fee that must be paid at the time of registration. Please include it in your registration check.

PRE-SCHOOL/PRE-KINDERGARTEN TUITION

A non-refundable fee of \$150 per student is required with your registration.

Program	Tuition
Three-year-old preschool, 2 days (mornings).....	\$ 1,600 per student
Four-year-old preschool, 3 days (mornings).....	\$ 1,750 per student
Pre-Kindergarten – 5 days (afternoons).....	\$ 2,300 per student
Pre-Kindergarten – All day program, 5 days.....	\$ 5,700 per student

ACTIVE PARISHIONER

Practice of Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

- St. Francis of Assisi provides tuition subsidy to those families who are registered as members of the Parish, who regularly attend Mass and who regularly and appropriately contribute to support the Parish. A suggested contribution to St. Francis of Assisi Parish of at least \$15 per week is a show of faith and gratitude for the gifts of support for your student from the other members of our Parish.
- 25 volunteer/service/activity hours per family in support of St. Francis of Assisi Parish or school activities. Hours must be reported on the volunteer form available on the school's website.

NON-ACTIVE/NON-PARISHIONER

- Pays the actual cost per student.

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