

## 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 16 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 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 Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grades
- Full day Kindergarten 8th Grade
- Resource Teachers (K-8)
- School Counselor & Mindfulness Coach
- 1:1 technology devices for Grades K-8
- Spanish curriculum (K-8)
- P.E. classes (K-8)
- Art classes (K-8)
- Music classes (K-5)
- Gardening Program (K-3)
- Coding, STEM, Mindfulness & Art Electives for Middle School
- Instructional aides
- Competitive Sports Teams
- Affordable Extended Care
- After school enrichment programs, including French, Band, Percussion, Choir, Chess, Art
- 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:

<ul> <li>Archbishop Riordan High School</li> </ul>	Mercy High School		
Bay High School	Mercy Burlingame		
<ul> <li>Convent of the Sacred Heart</li> </ul>	Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory		
Drew School	Saint Ignatius College Preparatory		
Gateway High School	San Francisco Waldorf School		
<ul> <li>Immaculate Conception Academy</li> </ul>	School of the Arts		
<ul> <li>International High School</li> </ul>	Stuart Hall High School		
<ul> <li>Lick-Wilmerding High School</li> </ul>	The Urban School		
<ul> <li>Lowell High School</li> </ul>	University High School		
Lycee Francais	Washington High School		

### Admission Eligibility (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>Kindergarten</u>: Friday, December 8, 2023

<u>Grades 1 - 8:</u> Friday, February 9, 2024

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 K (if applicable)
- \$100 non-refundable application fee

- You will be contacted to schedule your child's screening date (applicable to 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 by late January (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	2nd & K	(628) 202-6298	marjoleinvboven@gmail.com
Christy Ventura	3rd & 7th	(415) 861-9154	christy@ventura-tech.com
Tosha Ellison	7th	(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