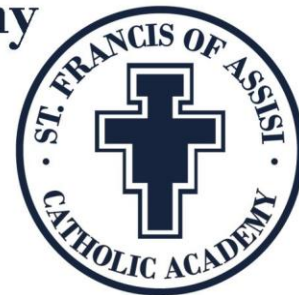


# St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy

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Dear St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy Family,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2023-2024 academy school year. We are filled with great anticipation for a wonderful year of learning for our students.

In order to make our academy opening as smooth as possible, we would like to provide you with some information that will help you get your child ready for the big day.

## **KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8TH GRADE PARENT ORIENTATION & OPENING SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

<b>K – 8 PARENT ORIENTATION &amp; MEET THE TEACHER MEETING</b>		
<i>Important information, goals, and expectations about the 2023-2024 academy school year will be shared. You will also meet your child's teacher in their classrooms and receive an overview of the school year.</i>		
Grades Kindergarten through Grade 8	Wednesday, September 13th at 6:30pm	In Monsignor Campbell Hall (MCH - church basement)

<b>GRADES K TO 8 OPENING WEEK SCHEDULE -SEPTEMBER 7TH, 8TH AND 9TH</b>			
<b>DAY</b>	<b>GRADE</b>	<b>ARRIVAL</b>	<b>DISMISSAL</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH</b>	K-1	8:00 A.M.	12:00 P.M.
	2-3	8:15 A.M.	12:15 P.M.
	4-8	8:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.
<b>THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH &amp; FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH</b>	K, 1, & 2	8:00 A.M.	2:50 P.M.
	3 THROUGH 8	8:00 A.M.	3:00 P.M.

All students should arrive in the schoolyard **no earlier** than 5 minutes before set schedule. Students in Grades K through 8th should be dressed in full school uniform. Each teacher will be outside to greet the students and direct them to their designated class line. We ask all parents to remain outside the schoolyard.

## **3K & PREK FOR ALL PARENT ORIENTATION & OPENING SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

**All 3K and PreK For All (4K) Students:** On Wednesday, September 6th, students will meet their teacher with a parent/guardian for 90 minutes. There will be an a.m. and p.m. session. Families will receive an email from their child's teacher with their assigned time.

**Thursday and Friday, September 7th and 8th both 3K and PreK students will be dismissed at 1:00pm.**

PreK- 8:00am-1:00pm Arrival and dismissal is through the main entrance.

3K - 8:10am-1:00pm Arrival and dismissal through Door C (in the rear of the school).

***If for any reason your child/children will not be attending St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy in September or they will not begin on their assigned day, please email the school secretary, Mrs. Cavera, at [pcavera@sfaacademy.org](mailto:pcavera@sfaacademy.org).***

**REGULAR FULL SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULES FOR ALL GRADES:**

<b><u>GRADE</u></b>	<b><u>ARRIVAL</u></b>	<b><u>DISMISSAL</u></b>
3K FOR ALL	8:10 A.M.	2:30 P.M.
PREK FOR ALL	8:00 A.M.	2:20 P.M.
KINDERGARTEN, 1, & 2	8:00 A.M.	2:50 P.M.
3 THROUGH 8	8:00 A.M.	3:00 P.M.

**SCHOOL OFFICE:** The school office will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 29th and 30th from 9:00am-1:00pm if you need assistance.

**TUITION STATEMENTS: FACTS Management System** will once again manage our tuition invoicing and online payments. Payment plan invitations have been sent via email. Payments are due no later than the 15th of the month for a period of **10 months beginning July and ending in April**. Annual Fees for technology, school and the lunch program will be invoiced under separate cover through FACTS. The raffle book for our Mandatory Fall Fundraiser will be sent home upon your return to school. Every family is **required** to purchase/sell one raffle book (\$100.00). All payments can be made via FACTS, or via check or money order through school. Raffle entries should be returned through school as well. Please make sure your Family name, child's name, and grade are noted on all checks and raffle entries.

**EARLY DROP-OFF AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS:** All programs will begin on Monday, September 11th. Early Drop-Off begins at 7:15 a.m. Students should enter through the front door. The cost is \$4.00 per day. The After School Program is in session from dismissal to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday unless otherwise noted. The program can be used as necessary. After School Program and Early Drop-Off Applications will be available from the school office and on our website.

**UNIFORMS AND SHOES:** SFACA has NEW Summer, Winter, and Gym uniforms for the 2023-2024 academy school year. Flynn & O'Hara (flynnohara.com) is our contracted uniform company located in the Atlas Park Mall, 8000 Cooper Ave., Glendale, (718) 326-2704. Please do not purchase uniforms from any other outlet. The students are required to wear black school uniform shoes and black or white gym sneakers. The shoes should be purchased at DaBar Shoes Too (dabartooshoes.com), 70-05 Grand Avenue, Maspeth, (718) 779-1544, our official shoe store.

**ACADEMY THEME FOR 2023-2024** ~ *"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength." Isaiah 40:31*

**SFACA'S MISSION STATEMENT:** In the spirit of our patron saint, the mission of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy is to form, inform, and transform ourselves through Christ to be active members of our Catholic community and dedicated scholars who serve all of society.

**PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK:** Our academy handbook will be available on our website before the start of school. Please read this handbook with your child/children. You will receive an agreement brochure from your child's teacher to sign as an acknowledgement that you agree to follow all school procedures and policies. Please return the brochure to each child's homeroom teacher by Monday, September 11th.

Please continue to check our website: [www.sfaacademy.org](http://www.sfaacademy.org) for updates and information.

We look forward to September and the many opportunities we will have to support one another. God bless you and your families as you continue to celebrate the summer.

Ms. Elizabeth Reilly, Principal