St. Francis of Assisi

718.778.3700 Catholic Academy sfabrooklyn.org

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy has been designated as the aligned Catholic school for the parish of Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph-St. Teresa of Avila. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy opened in 1909 and for over 110 years has educated our children, instilling in them the faith and values we as Catholics cherish.

St. Francis has a free Pre-K program, a Kindergarten program and Grades 1 to 8. The Academy utilizes NYS Next Generation standards for its core subjects (Math, ELA, Science and Social Studies) and is committed to including Physical Education, Art, technology and Music to enhance the educational program. Daily Religion classes provide instruction based on the teachings of the Catholic Church.

The Academy participates in the Performing Arts School Residency Program that teaches our 4th graders how to create a virtual class performance of a classic fairy tale, our 6th graders Play Writing and Producing, and 8th graders Shakespeare Study and Presentations/Public speaking and Performance. The talents of the students are also displayed at the annual Christmas and Spring shows.

Technology is provided and is being updated to enhance the learning experience. 1:1 chromebooks and or iPads are being used to transform traditional classroom experiences to student-centered experiences that allow students to take an active part in their learning. Classrooms are equipped with either interactive whiteboards or smart TVs to help facilitate student learning.

Graduates who move on to Catholic high schools often receive scholarships. Students graduate St. Francis equipped with strong study skills, time-management and note taking techniques that prepare them for high school and college.

Tuition assistance is available through programs sponsored by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn and the St. Francis of Assisi Alumni Scholarship program. Please do not let the challenge of tuition deter you from enrolling your child in our Academy. Every effort will be made to make it possible for your child to attend St. Francis. We sincerely would like to have your child in our school.

We accommodate students who need academic assistance through Title I services, and those who have an IEP/IESP are serviced during the school day in speech, language and math by certified teachers.

The mission of St. Francis of Assisi Academy is to provide your child with an education of rigorous academics in a faith-filled atmosphere. We pledge to provide an education that will prepare your child for success in life and instill in them the values to live a life worth living.

Please visit us at www.sfabrooklyn.org for an exciting virtual trip to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy. You can contact us by calling 718-778-3700, or emailing us at office@sfabrooklyn.org.

We ask that you please consider St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy.

Sincerely,

Lorraine Pierre

Principal

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy in conjunction with the Diocese of Brooklyn has several financial aid programs available for students in Grades K-8. Please contact the school at 718-778-3700 for more information about these programs. The deadline to apply for financial aid is April 30, 2021.

Scholarship Programs

- Evangelization Scholarship Program offers tuition assistance to students currently enrolled in a parish Religious Education Program who are interested in attending St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy.
- 2. <u>Forstman Scholarship Program</u> offers tuition assistance to students presently attending Public School, but who have interest in attending St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy.
- 3. <u>Diocese of Brooklyn Scholarship Program</u> offers partial scholarships to families who demonstrate financial need and are enrolled in a Catholic elementary academy or school in Brooklyn and Queens
- 4. <u>Bishop's Scholarship Program</u> is administered by Children's Scholarship Fund (CSF), the BSP stimulates enrollment of students from Public Schools for those families with financial need in line with CSF's aim to maximize educational opportunity for all children. Only returning award families are being considered in the current academic year.
- 5. **Be an Angel to a Student Scholarship Program** is a sponsorship program where a donor, an Angel, pays a portion of the student's tuition for a family showing extraordinary need to help send their children to a Catholic academy or school in Brooklyn and Queens.
- 6. <u>Alumni Scholarship Program</u> is administered directly by the school and offers tuition assistance to students enrolled in St. Francis Catholic Academy.
- 7. **Referral Incentive Program** offers a \$1,000 tuition referral incentive to families referring another student who enrolls in St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy

Free UPK Program

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy offers a free UPK program.

All children born in 2017 are eligible to enroll.

The **deadline** is April 7 to apply for the UPK class beginning this September 2021.

Apply on-line at www.NYC.gov/prek, or call 718-778-3700.

Select St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy as your #1 Choice. Use school code: 17KAJW

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