

SAINT ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL



FRANCISCAN BROTHERS

ADMISSIONS OFFICE



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. How does a prospective student apply for admission to Saint Anthony's?

All 8th Grade students who will complete 8th Grade in June are eligible to take the TACHS High School Entrance Examination in November. Admission is based on exam results. Some consideration is also given to students who are siblings of alumni parents, brothers or sisters.

2. Do I have to take the Entrance Exam? Can I complete the application?

Yes. Prospective Students may choose to only complete the application, which requires uploading 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Report Cards. However, students who only seek admission using the application (and not take the TACHS Exam) are NOT eligible for Academic Scholarships.

3. How do incoming freshmen apply for Honors and A.P. Classes?

Students may apply for Honors and AP Classes using *Application for Honors and AP*. Access to this form is provided after registration and enrollment. Depending on the department and the particular class a student is seeking, additional documentation and a placement examination may also be required. Those students who have been notified with their acceptance letter that they qualify for Honors Classes must still complete the *Application for Honors and AP*.

4. What are the Academic Graduation Requirements at St. Anthony's?

To view the list of graduation requirements, as well as other pertinent academic information, you may click on the School Profile under the Admissions Tab on the school home page.

5. What courses are offered at St. Anthony's?

To view the complete Course Selection Booklet, please click on Course Selection under Academics on the school home page.

6. Does St. Anthony's have a Resource Room and accommodations for students with IEP's and 504's?

St. Anthony's does provide resource services for students with IEP's. These services are funded by South Huntington School District. Any families seeking resource services must submit their child's IEP to South Huntington School District's Department of Education by June 1st. St. Anthony's provides some but not all accommodations stipulated on IEP's or 504's. To discuss these accommodations in more detail, you can contact Mrs. Cathy Donnelly at cdonnelly@stanthonys.org

7. What is the average class size at St. Anthony's?

The average academic class size is 33 students. This average does not include Physical Education, Band, or Chorus.

8. What percentage of the graduating class attends college? 4-year colleges or universities? What percentage received scholarships?

For answers to these and other college placement questions, please find the College Statistics link found under the Admissions Tab on the Saint Anthony's Website.

9. When can a student first see his or her schedule?

Students will be able to access their list of classes online in May. This will not be the schedule, but rather just a list of the classes in which the student is enrolled. Class schedules for all students are sent in mid-August on *Infinite Campus*. Freshman Orientation is the Friday prior to the first day of full classes in September.

10. How do incoming freshman obtain information about sports and clubs?

Most sports at St. Anthony's have freshman level teams. Students interested in playing a Fall sport may fill out the Athletic Survey Form found on the Google Classroom for the Class of 2025. Filling out the form does not bind you to trying out. However, it will put you on the mailing list of coaches in case they need to send information. You are welcome to check multiple sports on that form. Fall Sports begin in August. There is a Fall Sport Information Night for all parents in the second week of August. If you have any other inquiries about Athletics, you can visit the Athletics page on the school website or contact the Athletic Department.

Most clubs begin after the start of the school year. Students should listen to Homeroom announcements for information regarding clubs. Most clubs and student activities have open enrollment and students are strongly encouraged to participate in multiple clubs. Be sure to check the link labeled "Clubs" under the Activities tab on the website.

11. Are there any walk-on sports at St. Anthony's?

There is a walk-on sport for every season at St. Anthony's.

Fall – Cross Country / Winter – Track / Spring – Track

St. Anthony's also has an intramural program that meets every Monday at 3:00pm in the Student Center. There are also various intramural events throughout the year such as basketball, volleyball, and European handball tournaments. All students are welcome to participate in intramurals.

12. How do I learn if my local district provides busing to St. Anthony's High School?

Most districts within a 15-mile radius provide busing to St. Anthony's High School, but not all. You may contact Mrs. Reimer in the Dean's Office at ext. 263 to learn more information about local school district busing.

St. Anthony's does provide a free shuttle in the mornings and afternoons and evenings to and from the LIRR Huntington Station. Currently, over 100 students commute to St. Anthony's via the LIRR. To inquire about this service or to ask about other transportation options, please contact the Admissions Office at (631) 271-2020 ext. 226.

13. When can students meet with their guidance counselor?

At St. Anthony's, students meet with their Guidance counselors in small groups, one period per cycle. This schedule occurs in the Fall semester for 9th and 12th grade, and in the Spring semester for 10th and 11th. These Guidance classes cover topics ranging from adjusting to St. Anthony's, making healthy academic and social decisions, discussing career aspirations, and planning for college. If students wish to see their Guidance counselor outside of the class format, they are always welcome to make a one on one appointment.

14. Do students have to be Roman Catholic to attend St. Anthony's? What are the religious requirements?

St. Anthony's does not require that students be baptized or confirmed as Roman Catholics to attend our school. While the vast majority of the student body is Roman Catholic, St. Anthony's welcomes students from all faiths. All students, including those who are not Catholic, must take a Catholic Theology class each year. All students are also expected to attend school masses, which occur approximately once a month. Additionally, students are required to participate in the school's Retreat Program. Daily masses are available for any students who wish to attend. Campus Ministry also encourages all students to get involved in service organizations.

15. What is the tuition for the 2023-2024 school year?

Tuition for the 2023-2024 school year has not yet been determined. Tuition for the 2022 – 2023 school year is \$11,700. You may expect next year's tuition to be approximately 3-4 % higher than this year. There is also an Academic Resources fee of \$150 charged to the accounts. Students in grade 12 pay a Graduation/sSnior fee of \$200 on the tuition account. Tuition for the next school year will be determined by the Board of Trustees in May.

16. Are scholarships or financial aid available?

The only scholarships offered to incoming freshman are academic scholarships and they are awarded based on students' scores on the High School Entrance Exam, as well as whether students listed St. Anthony's First, Second or Third Choice. All other Financial Aid is offered on a need basis. St. Anthony's does not offer athletic scholarships.

17. When can I apply for financial aid?

First, you must register your son/daughter with admissions. After you complete the registration process, you can apply online at <https://www.solutionsbyyss.com/parents>. The School Code is: School Code: 6321

The process begins February 1, and the application closes on August 1, 2023.

18. How do you determine the amount of Financial Aid I may qualify for?

A third party processes all the information you provide and makes a recommendation to Saint Anthony's based on that information. Visit <https://www.solutionsbyyss.com/parents> or call 800-344-8328 for more information.

19. What is the average Financial Aid amount?

It is impossible to give an average amount as applications are dealt with on a case by case basis. Not all applicants receive financial aid while a typical award is equal to approximately 10% of the tuition for those that do qualify. Financial Aid awards are strictly NEED based.

20. What information do I need to provide to apply for Financial Aid?

There is a variety of information that you will need to provide when you fill out the online application. Your most recent tax returns must be available upon request.

21. Where do I send all the information requested in the Financial Aid Packet?

The website includes instructions for navigating the application and submitting all necessary information electronically.

22. How much time will it take to process my application?

The Financial Aid Committee meets in June and July, and you will be notified electronically around that time after your application is assessed.

23. Can I apply for Financial Aid before I pay the registration fee?

The registration fee must be paid and all registration processes completed before you are eligible to apply for Financial Aid. Financial aid is only awarded to families committed to sending their student to St. Anthony's High School.

24. Do I have to reapply for Financial Aid each academic year?

Every academic year that your child is at Saint Anthony's, you must reapply for Financial Aid to be considered for an award. However, you are only eligible for Financial Aid if your tuition balance is current. Students with outstanding tuition balances are not eligible for Financial Aid.

25. What are my options for paying my child's tuition?

The three tuition payment options are:

- 1) One payment in full by August 1st (cash, check, ACH, or credit card)
- 2) Two equal payments (50% each) (cash, check, ACH, or credit card) by August 1st and January 1st
- 3) Ten equal payments (10% each) by credit card or direct debit, a.k.a. ACH (from a checking or savings account).

Option 3 runs August through May with a payment date of the 3rd or the 20th.

26. Can I pay by cash?

Cash payments are permitted only if you select to pay tuition in full or in two equal installments. Those are options 1 and 2. Please make an appointment. Please bring exact change. Monthly tuition payments must be made directly through Blackbaud tuition management via ACH or credit card.

27. How do I arrange to pay my child's tuition?

Families will complete an on-boarding process with *Blackbaud*, the school's online tuition management system. Families must be enrolled on *Blackbaud* by May 1 in order to receive their Course Request list on May 15.

St. Anthony's High School has partnered with *Blackbaud Tuition Management*. After enrollment, you will receive a notification via email directly from Blackbaud to set up your account and verify the details. You will also be prompted to choose a payment plan.

All three options allow payment via ACH (withdrawal from a bank account) or credit card. All credit card transactions will incur a service charge (currently 2.85%) assessed by Blackbaud Tuition Management. There is no fee for ACH. There is no longer walk-in or mail-in credit card payments, and option 3 still requires a commitment to monthly automated installments. Checks can be mailed and cash delivered by appointment to St. Anthony's High School ONLY for options 1 and 2.

Visit www.stanthonyshs.org/tuition for more information.

28. How do I enroll in automatic payments?

Instructions will be provided to sign up for *Blackbaud Tuition Management*.

29. What if my circumstances change and I cannot make my tuition payment on time?

Call the Treasurer's Office.

30. What if I have to change my payment information?

Email the Treasurer's office staff at finance@stanthonyshs.org to request paperwork

31. What if there is a balance due on my child's tuition account?

Tuition balances must be current in order to return to Saint Anthony's the following year, to receive transcripts, and for diplomas to be released. School services depend upon tuition dollars, so please refer to the student handbook for financial policies.

For further information, contact the Admissions Office at Saint Anthony's High School at 631-271-2020 x226 or admissions@stanthonyshs.org

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