

# 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 freshman 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 Saint 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 Saint Anthony's?

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

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

Saint 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 1. Saint 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 Mr. Chuck Menzer at [cmenzer@stanthonys.org](mailto:cmenzer@stanthonys.org)

## 7. What is the average class size at Saint 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 Saint 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 Incoming Freshmen. 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 Athletics 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 Saint Anthony's?**

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

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

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 Saint Anthony's High School?**

Most districts within a 15-mile radius provide busing to Saint 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.

Saint 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 Saint 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?**

The Guidance Department at Saint Anthony's High School utilizes a Multi-Tiered System of Support Model (MTSS) to ensure the success of the WHOLE child. Every student is assigned a counselor when they begin school with the hopes they will stay with them throughout their time here. Our school counselors are "on demand" for the students - when a student needs their counselor, they will have access to them. The school counselors provide academic, social, and emotional support through targeted interventions focusing on their new school environment, making healthy decisions, discussing career aspirations, and planning for college.

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

Saint 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, Saint 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 2024-2025 school year?**

Tuition for the 2024-2025 school year has not yet been determined. Tuition for the 2023 – 2024 school year is \$12,100. 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/Senior fee of \$200 on the tuition account. Tuition for the next school year will be determined by the Board of Trustees in next 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 Saint Anthony's First, Second or Third Choice. All other Financial Aid is offered on a need basis. Saint 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. Click here for further information: <https://www.stanthonyshs.org/treasury-office/>

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

**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.

**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 Saint 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 card) by August 1st and January 1st
- 3) Ten equal payments (10% each) on the 3rd or 20th of the month, August through May (ACH or credit card)

## **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.

Saint 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 3.12%) 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 Saint Anthony's High School ONLY for options 1 and 2.

Visit [www.stanthonyshs.org/tuition](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:admissions@stanthonyshs.org)**

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