

At Agnes Irwin,

we empower girls.

To explore, to reach higher, and to experience the joy of discovering their very best selves.

For over 150 years, we have provided a rigorous education for bright, talented girls and look forward to accepting students who will thrive and succeed in our academic program and school community.

Our admission team is here to guide you and your daughter through the application process every step of the way. Please use the contact information on the back to reach out to us with any questions you may have — we're here to help!





How to Apply: Lower School PreK-Grade 4

PARENT VISIT

The parent visit is an important first step in the application process. This year our visits will be happening virtually. You may arrange an individual parent visit by calling Deb Goggins, Admission Office Assistant, at 610.801.1203.

ONLINE APPLICATION

Applying online is easy! Please visit **agnesirwin.org/applynow** to complete the new student application and submit the required \$50 application fee. Don't forget to upload your daughter's photo!

STUDENT ASSESSMENT

Upon receipt of the application, we will schedule a student assessment during which your daughter will spend time with a teacher and an Admission Associate.

SCHOOL FORMS

Teacher recommendations and records from your daughter's current school are a valuable part of the information we gather for her application file. Please submit the appropriate Teacher Recommendation Form (students applying to PreK-Grade 1, or students applying to Grades 2-4) to your daughter's current teacher after November 1, as they will have had a little time to get to know your daughter. Teacher Recommendation forms can be submitted digitally or by paper copy.

You will also need to sign the Request for the Release of Information Form to give to your daughter's school, which will allow them to send a current report card and a transcript for 2019-20, if applicable. This should also be submitted after November 1.

These forms are available on our website. If you need help accessing the forms, please call the Lower School Admission Office at 610.801.1203.



TESTING

Testing is required for all applicants. PreK, Kindergarten, and Grade 1 applicants receive an individual assessment performed at The Agnes Irwin School. Applicants to grades 2-4 are required to submit either the results of the ISEE Primary Level Test, or the WISC-V (Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children). Please call Admission Office Assistant Deb Goggins to learn more about these tests.

TIMELINE

Candidates who complete an application by our first admission deadline of December 4, 2020 will receive written notification from the Admission Committee beginning in late December. Accepted families have until March 1, 2021 to respond to an offer of admission. Applications are welcome after the first application deadline and will be considered on a rolling basis based on the availability of space.

How to Apply: Middle and Upper Schools Grades 5-12

ONLINE APPLICATION

Applying online is easy! Please visit **agnesirwin.org/applynow** to complete the new student application and submit the required \$50 application fee. Don't forget to upload your daughter's photo!

PARENT INTERVIEW & OPTIONAL TOUR

As part of the application process, parents of applicants in Grades 5-12 are required to complete a virtual parent interview.

Additionally, we encourage you to arrange a private virtual tour with one of our student tour guides or join us for any one of our Admission Events. You may arrange a virtual interview and/or tour by calling Claire Lewis, Admission Office Manager, at 610.801.1202.

STUDENT INTERVIEW & OPTIONAL TOUR

As part of the application process, students applying for admission to Grades 5-12 are required to complete a virtual student interview. You may arrange a virtual interview and/or tour by calling Claire Lewis, Admission Office Manager, at 610.801.1202.

SCHOOL FORMS

Teacher recommendations and records from your daughter's current school are an important part of the application process. Please submit the Teacher Recommendation Forms and the Request for the Release of Information Form to your daughter's school after November 1, 2020. Teacher Recommendation forms can be submitted digitally or by paper copy. This will allow your daughter's school to release her 2019-20 transcript and current report card for 2020-21 to us. These forms can be found on our website, and are due to the



Admission Office no later than December 4, 2020. If you need help accessing the forms, please call the Admission Office at 610.801.1202. These forms can be mailed, faxed to 610.581.0495 or emailed to Claire Lewis at clewis@agnesirwin.org.

TESTING

Testing, whether virtually or in person, is required for all applicants. Applicants to Grade 5 are asked to provide the results of the Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE) or a Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children (WISC). Applicants to Grades 6-12 are asked to provide the results of the ISEE or the Secondary School Admission Test (SSAT). Visit erblearn.org or SSAT.org to register.

TIMELINE

Candidates who complete an application by December 4, 2020 will receive written notification of their decision from the Admission Committee beginning in late December 2020. Accepted families have until March 1, 2021 to respond to an offer of admission by submitting the required deposit and signed enrollment agreement. Applications received after December 4, 2020 will be considered on a rolling basis based on the availability of space.



Getting To and From AIS

OUR LOCATION

The Agnes Irwin School is located 10 miles west of Philadelphia in a suburban community easily accessible to public transportation. Our campus is near Villanova University and just minutes from train stops at the university.

By Train

Free van transportation is available to and from the Villanova stations for two SEPTA Regional Rail Lines: Paoli/Thorndale Line station, located 1.5 miles from the school, and the Norristown High Speed Line station, just one-half mile from the school. A schedule of daily pickup and return times is published at the start of the year and available at the main lobby reception desk. If planning to use public transit to visit AIS, please call ahead to request help with transportation from these stations: 610.801.1869.

By Van Service

Agnes Irwin offers a morning van service for students residing in the Collegeville area at a low yearly cost. Coming to school in Rosemont has never been more convenient!

By Bus

Twenty school districts provide free bus transportation to AIS:

Colonial

Great Valley

Haverford

Lower Merion

Marple Newtown

Methacton

Norristown

Philadelphia

Phoenixville

Radnor

Ridley

Rose Tree Media

Springfield (Del. Co.)

Springfield (Mont. Co.)

Tredyffrin/Easttown

Upper Darby

Upper Merion

Wallingford/Swarthmore

William Penn

Wissahickon

BY THE NUMBERS

88

Number of zip codes represented in our student body

50

Number of students from the city of Philadelphia

11

Number of students from Phoenixville/Collegeville



Tuition

OVERVIEW

Understanding the investment in your daughter's education is a top priority of our Admission Team. We bundle most costs in annual tuition fees, including field trips, class rings, yearbooks, and senior graduation dresses.

PAYMENT PLANS

A non-refundable and non-transferable deposit is due with a signed enrollment agreement by March 1, 2021, and each winter thereafter for re-enrollment.

Plan 1

Balance of tuition paid by July 31, 2021.

Plan 2

50% of balance of tuition paid by July 31, 2021, and the remaining 50% is due December 31, 2021.

Plan 3

Balance of tuition paid in 10 monthly installments, beginning May 1, 2021 for fall enrollment. This option is offered through Smart Tuition for a fee of \$170, and requires families to take Tuition Refund Insurance.

TUITION REFUND INSURANCE

This insurance is optional except for Plan 3, and billed separately at a rate of 0.8% (.008) of tuition. A brochure explaining tuition refund insurance and Smart Tuition is enclosed with the enrollment agreement.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

This insurance is optional and billed separately at a rate of \$30 per school year. A brochure is enclosed with the enrollment agreement explaining this option.

TUITION 2020-21

PreKindergarten	\$21,000
Kindergarten	\$23,000
Grade 1	\$27,800
Grade 2	\$29,355
Grade 3-4	\$30,900
Grades 5-8	\$36,000
Grades 9-10	\$40,500
Grades 11-12	\$41,000

International Students

Grade 8	\$41,000
Grades 9-10	\$45,500
Grades 11-12	\$46,000

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Affording Agnes Irwin may not be out of reach. Tuition Assistance is available for families who demonstrate need and complete the application for tuition assistance by December 11, 2020. There are no merit-based scholarships. The tuition assistance process is separate from the application process, and applying for tuition assistance will not affect a girl's chance for an offer of admission. Please visit agnesirwin.org/tuitionassistance or pick up a Tuition Assistance brochure from an Admission team member for step-by-step instructions on the tuition assistance process.





ADDITIONAL COSTS

Meal Plans

Students have the option of bringing their lunch from home or participating in one of the offerings with our dining services provider, CulinArt. The CulinArt Lunch Plan is available for Lower School students in grades K-4 and costs about \$995 for the full year. Morning snack is also provided in the Lower School. Middle and Upper School students can keep funds in a debit account with CulinArt to purchase breakfast, snack, or lunch with a swipe of their student ID. They may also bring in breakfast or lunch if they prefer.

Textbooks and School Supplies

Books and supplies in the Lower School are included in the cost of tuition. In Middle School, most textbooks are covered through the cost of tuition, while each grade has a list of school supplies needed, including a one-time cost of an AIS backpack. In Upper School, students may need to purchase select textbooks. Book lists are made available in the summer for each year's classes. Costs usually range between \$150-\$800.

After-School Programs

After Session is our after-school program available to Lower School students from 3-6 p.m. on school days and all day on all parent-teacher conference days. The fee for five days a week for the full year is \$3,940. Daily drop-in rate is \$30 per day. In addition, we offer a selection of after-school enrichment activities in fall, winter, and spring sessions through Extra Session. Middle School students in Grades 5-7 who remain on campus between 4-6 p.m. are required to attend 4 O'Clock Study, a quiet after-school study hall. This program is supervised each day, and attendees are required to check in.



Uniforms

Uniforms are required for Grades PreK-12 and available for purchase through the AIS School Store located in the Middle & Upper School building. Gently used uniforms are available through the RenAISsance Sale held at our property located at 672 Conestoga Road by Parents' Council each September and May, or by special appointment. Uniform costs range from \$120-\$500.

Laptops and Technology

Agnes Irwin students engage with technology in all academic divisions as part of our curriculum. Our Lower School offers integration of iPads into the classroom, while our Middle School provides 1-to-1 Chromebook access at no additional charge. Upper School students participate in our "Bring Your Own Device" program. Please email Director of Technology Dr. Tom Weissert at tweissert@agnesirwin.org for quidance regarding this policy.

Special Studies Program

Offered on Wednesday afternoons in January and February as well as during spring and summer breaks, our Special Studies Programs (SSP) are project-based, immersive courses that offer ninth through twelfth graders new ways to uncover and apply knowledge. There is also an option to travel domestically and internationally through a dozen schoolsponsored SSPs or students can work with the SSP coordinator to design their own. Price points range from \$250-\$4,500.

ADMISSION CONTACTS

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