ST MARY'S ACADEMY

FAITH COMMUNITY JUSTICE RESPECT

All-Girls High School
Admission Process

Our Mission: St. Mary's Academy fosters excellence in each child through academic achievement, spiritual development and service. The Loretto School Values of faith, community, justice and respect provide the foundation for students to be powerful agents of change.

September 21, 2021, 6 p.m.	High School Information Night
October 1, 2021	Visits for Students New to SMA Begin for 9th
October 6, 2021, 6 p.m.	Athletics Information Night via Zoom
October 23, 2021, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	High School Open House
November 11, 2021, 6 p.m.	High School Information Night
November 16, 2021, 6 p.m.	Athletics Information Night via Zoom
December 4, 2021, 8 a.m.	High School Placement Test
December 15, 2021	Application Deadline
February 18, 2022	Notification Date for Students New to SMA

Application Process

① **APPLY ONLINE**
   Deadline: December 15, 2021
   - Student application
   - Student essay
   - Teacher recommendations for English and Math
   - Transcript from current school
   - Principal/Counselor Recommendation

② **STUDENT VISIT**
   Visit your admissions portal to schedule

③ **ATTEND HS OPEN HOUSE**
   October 23, 2021

④ **HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST**
   Grade 9: December 4, 2021. ISEE is also accepted.

⑤ **FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION**
   Deadline: December 15, 2021

⑥ **HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS DECISIONS**
   Emailed February 18, 2022

⑦ **HIGH SCHOOL CONTRACT**
   Deadline for Newly Accepted Students:
   March 1, 2022

For questions, please contact Seely Meredith, *Director of Admissions and Financial Aid,* at **smeredith@smanet.org** or call **303.762.8300**.

New to SMA?
Begin your application at **stmarys.academy/admissions**.

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Since our founding in Colorado Territory in 1864, St. Mary's Academy has been an inclusive community that welcomes students of every race, religious tradition, and economic background. We know the commitment you are making to provide your child with the best education, deep-rooted values, and pathways to leadership and success. We're here to help with a tuition assistance program across our three divisions, made possible through generous donors who want to foster the experience for others. St. Mary's Academy awards approximately $2 million in needs-based tuition assistance to 24% of our student body. Awards range from 5% to more than 90% of the cost of tuition. We encourage all families to consider applying for assistance. We'll work diligently to honor your family's requirements and our mission to serve.

We use School and Student Services (SSS) to process financial aid applications. SSS is a service of the National Association of Independent Schools. Based on the financial information you provide, SSS gives St. Mary's Academy an estimated amount your family can contribute to educational expenses. This helps the school make fair and objective financial aid decisions. To begin your financial aid application for the 2022-2023 school year, follow these steps below.

Application Steps:

① Go to **SSSANDTADSFA.FORCE.COM/FAMILYPORTAL**: SSS portal opens September 1, 2021. An applicant's online application must be completed by December 15, 2021.

② **CLICK** on the prompt to begin your Parents' Financial Statement (PFS). Only complete one PFS even if you have several children applying to our school.

③ **CLICK** in the "Create an Account" box. You will be asked to enter your name and e-mail address and to select a password.

④ The St. Mary's Academy school code is **4901**.

Required documentation must be uploaded to the **sssandtadsfa.force.com/familyportal** website or mailed to SSS directly. Applications for tuition assistance will be processed upon receipt of the following items:

- SSS application, PFS, and $55 application fee
- Copy of 2020 income tax return and all schedules
- 2020 W2
- 2021 W2
- 2020 business income tax return and all schedules if self-employed

St. Mary's Academy encourages you to pay close attention to deadlines. If your financial aid application is complete by **December 15, 2021**, you will receive a financial aid notification with or soon after your student's acceptance. If you miss the December 15, 2021 deadline, your financial aid application will be considered on a wait-pool basis. Please do not delay in submitting your forms!

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY: St. Mary's Academy admits students of any race, creed, color, national and ethnic origin, citizenship, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, disability, national and ethnic origin, citizenship, religion, sexual orientation, or gender identity in administration of our educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic and other school-administered programs.