ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY

APPLICATION PROCESS

8th grade applications for the 2027-28 school year will open on October 15, 2026, and will be due November 30, 2026.

STEP 1: SUBMIT APPLICATION FORM

Opens October 15, 2026

Students applying to 9th grade for the 2027-28 school year will first create an online account through the SJA Parent Portal to access the Application Form and provide applicant, family, and additional information to begin the process. Once the Application Form is submitted, applicants will need to log back into their SJA Parent Portal account to complete additional required steps via an Application Checklist. These steps must be completed to be considered for admission.

STEP 2: COMPLETE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Due November 30, 2026

A complete SJA application includes submission of the following additional information by November 30th via the Application Checklist in the SJA Parent Portal:

APPLICANT PHOTO

Each applicant is asked to submit a current photo.

ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT

Each applicant must provide a full academic transcript to St. Joseph's Academy. Detailed instructions to have your official transcript sent to St. Joseph's Academy are included in your Application Checklist.

- ***If your daughter attends a Catholic grade school within the Archdiocese of St. Louis,*** you must submit the Transcript Request Form (TRF) at *https://archstlschools.org/high-school-admissions-guide* by November 8, 2026, to have her transcript sent to her first-choice high school.
- ***If your daughter attends a private, public, or independent school***, you will need to submit a request to her school to have her transcript sent to St. Joseph's Academy. Instructions and digital request form can be found within your Application Checklist. This request must be submitted by November 30th.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

We ask that families proactively partner with us to discuss any, and all, academic support requirements during the application process to ensure that we can provide the best possible educational experience for your daughter if accepted to St. Joe.

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STEP 2: COMPLETE APPLICATION CHECKLIST *(continued)*

HIGH SCHOOL CHOICE FORM

All applicants to St. Joe are asked to identify their first, second, and third choice high school using a digital form in the Application Checklist, so that we can learn how St. Joe ranks for each applicant. We will only process first-choice applicants during the first admission cycle.

STUDENT ESSAY

Applicants will be asked to complete a Student Questionnaire.

OPTIONAL: LEADERS IN DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

St. Joseph's Academy offers the *Leaders in Diversity Scholarship* to four 8th grade students of color who demonstrate academic strength and leadership in their community, participate in community service, and are committed to participation in St. Joe's student Diversity, Culture, and Climate organization.

STEP 3: FAMILY INTERVIEW

Once an applicant has completed her Application Checklist by submitting the above additional items, a family meeting with an SJA administrator will be scheduled.

The applicant and at least one parent/guardian must attend. The scheduling calendar will become available in your Application Checklist once the above items have been submitted. Family meetings will take place in December with morning, evening, and weekend options.

OPTIONAL: FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION VIA FACTS GRANT AND AID

As a faith-based community, we are committed to ensuring that every qualified young woman has an opportunity for a St. Joseph's Academy education. Our financial aid awards are based on financial need, taking into account assets, liabilities, income, expenses and the number of students attending fee-based schools. Each student's award decision is unique based on the information provided.

- October 1, 2026: FACTS online application period opens for the 2027-28 school year.
- December 31, 2026: Deadline for FACTS applications for the Class of 2031.

** Late applications will be placed on financial aid waitlist and will be considered if funds become available.*

*** The financial aid application is a separate application process. We encourage families to begin a financial aid application early. The SJA Business Office can provide an early range of potential funding once an application is submitted.*

Learn more at www.sja1840.org/admissions.

Questions about the application process?
Please contact Kara Kelpe, Director of Enrollment Management, at *kkelpe@sja1840.org*.

Questions about financial aid applications?
Please contact Sandy Kemp, Financial Aid Specialist, at *skemp@sja1840.org*.