# PRESCHOOL FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### WHEN ARE PRESCHOOL APPLICATIONS TO ST. BENEDICT PREPARATORY SCHOOL ACCEPTED?

Applications for preschool are accepted on a rolling basis. There is no application deadline. However, we do recommend an application submission by January 15 for the following school year. Families will be notified of acceptance in late January. The online application can be found at stbenedict.com under the admissions tab.

### WHAT IS THE ADMISSION PROCESS FOR PRESCHOOL?

Applications and the \$125 application fee are accepted throughout the school year. The preschool spot is secured once a copy of the birth certificate and baptism certificate (if applicable) are submitted and the \$225 enrollment fee and \$500 new family fee is paid. The \$500 new family fee applies only to families who are new to St. Benedict Prep.

# DO YOU PRIORITIZE APPLICATIONS?

Yes. Applications are filed by the date received within the following categories: 1) siblings of current students; 2) current St. Benedict parishioner families; 3) Catholic families from other parishes; 4) all other applicants.

### WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PRESCHOOL ADMISSIONS?

Preschool applicants must be 3 years old by September 1st of the school year and must be potty-trained.

### WHAT DAY AND TIME OPTIONS CAN FAMILIES CHOOSE?

Families can choose between 3 half-days, 3 full-days, 5 half-days, or 5 full-days. Families can choose the 3 days that they want their child to attend. Please see the preschool tuition & fee schedule for tuition cost.

# WHAT ARE THE HOURS FOR PRESCHOOL?

Half-day hours are 8 am - 12:20 PM. Full-day hours are 8 am - 2:45 PM (2:00 PM early dismissal on Tuesdays). Both half-day and full-day programs include a hot lunch.

## IS THERE BEFORE-SCHOOL AND AFTER-SCHOOL CARE AVAILABLE?

Yes. Before school care (7 am - 7:40 am) and after school care (dismissal to 6 PM) are available for an additional cost. Please see preschool tuition & fee schedule for more information.

### DO STUDENTS IN PRESCHOOL WEAR UNIFORMS?

No. Preschool students do not wear uniforms. The St. Benedict Preparatory School uniform is worn in kindergarten through grade 8.

# WHAT SPECIAL CLASSES ARE OFFERED IN PRESCHOOL?

Students participate in 2 Spanish periods, 2 Physical Education periods, and 2 Music periods per week.

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## HOW ARE STEAM CONCEPTS INTEGRATED INTO THE CURRICULUM?

STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) concepts and applications are integrated into regular units of learning beginning in the early childhood years. Extra-curricular enrichment programs, including Math Club, Robotics Club, Mad Science, and Art Club, also help support STEAM integration. In addition, three designated STEAM labs at the preschool, lower school, and upper school levels support the critical thinking, creativity, and collaborations skills needed to enhance student learning.

# WHAT IS THE STUDENT/TEACHER RATIO IN PRESCHOOL?

The student/teacher ratio is 10:1 with a certified teacher and assistant in each classroom.

# IS LUNCH INCLUDED IN THE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM?

Yes, a nutritious, made-from-scratch lunch is included for both half day and full day students provided by HandCut Foods.