

The St. Aloysius Middle School Admissions Process

The admissions process to the Sr. Thea Bowman Program for Girls and St. Aloysius Gonzaga Program for Boys starts with the completion of the enclosed application. Please fill out the application and return it by February 24th to the main building located at 223 W. 132nd Street. Letters of recommendation can be submitted with the completed application or sent separately by the recommender. Your child's current school should send school records directly to us with the enclosed records request sheet. The completed PSAS form must be submitted directly to PSAS, not to the school. All families are **required** to fill out the PSAS form. Please refer to the cover letter attached to that application for further information.

Once we have received and reviewed your completed application, you will receive information about our mandatory Saturday classes. All applicants are **required** to attend these classes in their entirety. These classes will take place **April 28, May 5, May 12 and May 19 from 9AM-12PM in the main building**. Please note that parent interviews for parents of applicants to the Sr. Thea Bowman Program for Girls will be held on May 5th. Parent interviews for the St. Aloysius Gonzaga program will be held May 12th. **Parent interviews are required for all applicants**, and are completed on a first-come, first-served basis.

After completion of the Saturday classes, preliminary acceptance decisions for each program will be made. Selected students will then complete the final step in the application process for both programs: successful completion of the **mandatory Summer Program**. More comprehensive Summer Program information will be provided after the Saturday classes have ended.

Girls Summer Program Dates

June 30-July 11: Camp at Trade Winds Lake Camp- Catskills, NY
July 16-July 27: Summer Enrichment- Main Building from 9:00-3:00 daily

Boys Summer Program Dates

June 25-July 6: Summer Enrichment- Main Building from 9:00-3:00 daily
July 13-July 24: Camp at Trade Winds Lake Camp- Catskills, NY

Upon successful completion of the Summer Program, final admissions decisions will be made. Acceptance and denial letters will be sent via regular mail by Friday, August 3rd. Should you have any questions about the admissions process, please feel free to call the main office at 212-283-0921. We look forward to getting to know you and your child during this process!

Tuition and Fees for the 2012-2013 School Year

Tuition: \$3000 for the year (Please note: no family is turned away because they cannot pay.)
Summer Fee: \$150 due by June 25 in the form of a money order
Student Fee: \$175 due at the beginning of September in the form of a money order

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St. Aloysius Gonzaga Program for Boys / Sr. Thea Bowman Program for Girls

MISSION: St. Aloysius is a pre-kindergarten through 8th grade Jesuit, independent school located in Central Harlem. We are dedicated to educating inner-city children at risk of not reaching their potential. We do this through a comprehensive, academically challenging, literature-based program that includes support of the family and the whole child. Our goal is to empower our students with an ever-expanding appreciation of their cultural heritage, a healthy sense of self-esteem, and a life-long commitment to being a person for others.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are thrilled that you are considering St. Aloysius as a middle school for your son or daughter. Enclosed in this packet, you will find all the items necessary to begin the application process to either the St. Aloysius Gonzaga Program for Boys or the Sr. Thea Bowman Program for Girls. Applications are due on Friday, **February 24, 2012**, and must be submitted with all of the required documents in order to be considered for the 2012-2013 school year.

Choosing the right school, especially a middle school, is an important decision. At this age and stage, boys and girls are confronted with many negative societal images and influences. At St. Aloysius, we work with parents to ensure that our students receive a high quality, value-centered education, so that they overcome the obstacles they face. We are seeking students with positive attitudes towards school, their teachers and their peers. Our students work hard and try their best. We accept students with a variety of academic strengths and weaknesses, but who all share a readiness for a challenging program. The St. Aloysius model is a proven success. For children living in neighborhoods where just 35% graduate from high school in four years, our students make astounding strides toward high school readiness. St. Aloysius students are accepted into excellent Catholic, private, charter, and elite public schools; and 96% of our alumni graduate from high school on time.

We welcome you to apply! **No family is denied admission solely because they cannot pay tuition.** Please review the enclosed forms, complete the application, and submit it and all required documents to our main office by **Friday, February 24 at 3:00pm**. If you have any questions about the enclosed documents or about our school, please do not hesitate to contact our Secretary, Ms. Davis, at (212) 283-0921 or vdavis@staloyssiusschool.org.

Blessings,

Mrs. Courtney Nunns
Principal

<p><i>Preliminary Acceptance Admissions Checklist:</i></p> <p>_____ <i>Application for Admission</i></p> <p>_____ <i>Teacher Recommendation</i></p> <p>_____ <i>Coach/Pastor/Mentor Recommendation</i></p> <p>_____ <i>Records Request</i></p> <p>_____ <i>Saturday Sessions Attendance: 1, 2, 3, 4</i></p> <p>_____ <i>Parent Interview</i></p>
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___ \$60,001 or above

Family Information: Parent/Guardian

Parent/Guardian

Name:	_____	_____
Relation to Student:	_____	_____
Occupation:	_____	_____
Employer:	_____	_____
Position:	_____	_____
Home Phone:	_____	_____
Cell Phone:	_____	_____
Work Phone:	_____	_____
Email Address:	_____	_____

Name of person(s) financially responsible for the student: _____

Family Information: (continued)

Check all that apply:

___ Parents are married together	___ Parents live together	___ Parents do not live together
___ Parents are separated	___ Mother remarried	___ Father remarried
___ Parents are divorced	___ Mother deceased	___ Father deceased

With whom does the child live? _____

Language(s) spoken at home: _____

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Household (Everyone living in the house):

Name applicable)	Relation to Student	Age	School and Grade (if applicable)
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

School History

List the schools your child has attended. Please include the year. (Start with nursery school if applicable)

School: _____	Grades: _____
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School: _____	Grades: _____
School: _____	Grades: _____

School History: (continued) Answers to the following questions will not eliminate your student from admissions consideration.

Has your child ever been evaluated by the Committee on Special Education? Yes/No.

If yes, please include a copy of the IEP.

Has your child ever attended resource room? Yes/No What grade(s)? _____

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Has your child ever attended summer school? Yes/No What grade(s)? _____

Has your child repeated any grades? Yes/No What grade(s)? _____

Has your child ever participated in ESL classes? Yes/No What grade(s)? _____

Has your child ever been diagnosed with hyperactivity or ADD? Yes/No

Has your child experienced any significant behavior or discipline issues? If so, please specify. _____

Your Child and Homework

What is your child's attitude regarding homework? _____

Does your child willingly ask for help when he/she needs it? _____

Outside of School

Is your child involved in any after-school or weekend activity? Yes/No Please list them: _____

Has he/she ever gone to sleep-away camp? Yes/No For how long? _____

How does your child usually spend the summer? _____

Your Child's Health

Is your child on any medications? Yes/No Please list them: _____

Does your child have a physical condition that we need to know about? _____

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Is your child allergic to anything? _____

Does he/she have any dietary restrictions? _____

At Home

How would you describe your child at home? _____

What does your child do when he feels upset and frustrated? _____

Is there any activity that you and your child enjoy doing together? _____

Has anyone in your family ever attended St. Aloysius? Yes/No

Who: _____ Relationship: _____ When: _____

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How did you hear about St. Aloysius? Check all that apply.

Family member

Public School Counselor/Teacher

Friend

Parent of St. Al's

St. Aloysius or ADNY Website

Other

Newspaper

Business in community

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It is my understanding that St. Aloysius School promotes the academic, spiritual, and social development of its students, and the Sr. Thea Bowman Program for Girls and St. Aloysius Program for Boys are academically challenging middle school programs with a rigorous code of conduct, mandatory extended day and year activities, and spiritual growth components. We welcome students of all faith backgrounds, however, all students are required to take religion class and participate in Catholic prayers.

_____	_____
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
_____	_____
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
_____	_____
Student Signature	Date

Policy of Non-Discrimination

Saint Aloysius School and the Sr. Thea Bowman Program for Girls and St. Aloysius Gonzaga Program for Boys admits students of any race, color, creed and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to the school.

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COACH/PASTOR/MENTOR RECOMMENDATION FORM

To be completed by a coach, pastor, mentor or any adult non-family member.

The student below has applied for admission to either the Sr. Thea Bowman Program for Girls or St. Aloysius Gonzaga Program for Boys. We would appreciate if you would complete the following recommendation and return it to us no later than **February 24, 2012**. Your recommendation is an important consideration for this student's admission.

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Student's Name: _____ Current Grade: _____

How long have you known this student? _____ In what capacity? _____

Aptitude - please write about the student's talent or ability in your work with him/her.

Attitude - please write about the student's approach to your work with him/her, with regard to the student's motivation, ability to overcome challenges, and respect for self and others.

Please sign your name on the back of this page and use additional space if needed.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Name (Please print): _____

Contact #: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please deliver, mail, or fax this form to:

St. Aloysius School

Attention: ADMISSIONS Courtney Nunns

223 West 132nd Street

New York, NY 10027

FAX: 212-234-4198

Thomas D. Harvey, *President*
Carol Martino, *Lower School Principal*
Courtney Nunns, *Middle School*

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ADMISSIONS RECORD REQUEST

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Program for Boys
Sr. Thea Bowman Program for Girls

To Whom It May Concern:

I have completed an application for my child, _____, to be admitted to St. Aloysius School. Part of this application process involves a review of her/his current academic record. By means of this letter, I request that my child's academic record be released, including:

- **Most recent report card (grades for the current school year)**
- **Final report card from June of the previous school year**
- **Most recent standardized test scores (ITBS and/or N.Y. State Tests)**
- **Any CSE request or most recent IEP (if applicable)**

Please forwarded to:

St. Aloysius School
Attention: Admissions Courtney Nunns, Principal
223 West 132nd Street
New York, NY 10027
Fax: 212-243-4198

My Child's Date of Birth is _____ / _____ / _____

My Child's Social Security Number is _____

St. Aloysius requires these forms by **Feb. 25, 2011**. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Signature of the Parent/Guardian

Date

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TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

To be completed by the child's current homeroom teacher.

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Student's Name: _____ Current Grade: _____

Current School Name, Address, and Phone Number: _____

How long have you known this student? _____ In what capacity? _____

Please rate this student on the criteria listed below by checking the appropriate category.

	Always	Most Times	Seldom	Never
Does he/she work to his/her ability?	_____	_____	_____	_____

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Does he/she complete assignments on time?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Is he/she an independent learner?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Is he/she inquisitive?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Is he/she articulate?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Does he/she have the ability to solve problems independently?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Does he/she exhibit self discipline?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Does he/she exhibit the ability to be organized?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Does he/she come to class prepared?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Does he/she respect/get along with adults?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Does he/she respect/get along with peers?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Does he/she show concern for others?	_____	_____	_____	_____
Are parents supportive of the school?	_____	_____	_____	_____

Does the student have IEP on file? _____ Yes _____ No

Is this student entitled to any special supportive service?

_____ Counseling	_____ ESL or ELL Services
_____ Resource Room	_____ Title 1 Math
_____ Speech and Language Therapy	_____ Title 1 Reading
_____ MIS 1 Placement (Self-Contained Classroom)	

Are there any services that you recommend for this child? _____

Please rate the student on a scale of 1 to 4:

1 = far below grade level 2 = below grade level 3 = at grade level 4 = above grade level

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ELA: _____ Oral Reading Fluency _____ Reading Comprehension _____ Writing

Math: _____ Problem Solving _____ Computation Skills _____ Concepts/Estimation

Describe the parents'/guardians' relationship with the school.

Please add any explanation or clarification of your evaluation or any other comment you think might be helpful in assessing this student's potential for success at Saint Aloysius School. For example, additional strengths or weaknesses that have not been note elsewhere, or circumstances that would indicate that the students' test scores and/or report card grades do not reflect the true ability of the student.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Name (Please print): _____ Contact #: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please deliver, mail, or fax this form to:

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