

ST. ALOYSIUS

Mother Theodore Program Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten

ADMISSIONS

MISSION. St. Aloysius School is a two-campus Archdiocesan school in the Jesuit tradition located in Central Harlem, dedicated to educating inner-city children at risk of never reaching their potential. We do this through a comprehensive, academically challenging, literature-based program which includes support of the family and the whole child. Our goal is to empower our students with an ever-expanding appreciation of their cultural past, a healthy sense of self-esteem in the present, and a future vision that one is called to be a person for others.

ADMISSIONS POLICY. Roman Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of New York base their educational purpose and all their activities on the Christian teaching of the essential equality of all persons as rooted in God's love. St. Aloysius School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin, and gender in administration of educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.

- Pre-K 3 is open to children who will be 3 years old by September 1
- Pre-K 4 is open to children who will be 4 years old by December 30
- Kindergarten is open to children who will be 5 years old by December 30
- Preference is given to families who meet St. Aloysius household income guidelines; families must complete PSAS to determine financial eligibility. All families applying for Kindergarten must apply for the Cardinal's Scholarship Program.

ADMISSIONS. The admissions process begins each year in February with the **St. Aloysius student application and PSAS financial application**. The process includes a holistic assessment of the child's readiness for our Mother Theodore Program; this assessment includes **testing** and **classroom visit(s)**. Should your child successfully complete testing and the visit, s/he will be invited to register for the coming school year. There is a \$125.00 registration fee; once the fee is paid, the child's seat in the class will be held until the first tuition payment is made. Admissions continues until all classes are full; 20 children in our PK-1, 20 in PK-2, and 25 in Kindergarten. We do utilize a wait list.

TUITION. The cost per student for one year in the Mother Theodore program at St. Aloysius is \$9,500.00. **All of our families receive financial aid**, though every family must contribute. The average amount paid per family is \$2,600 with the balance funded by generous donors.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. The PSAS financial assistance application assists in determining how much financial aid is awarded. The Archdiocese of New York *Cardinal's Scholarship Fund* assists financially eligible incoming Kindergarten families with financial assistance. This assistance is available annually through grade eight as long as the family remains financially eligible.



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