

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



School Day Schedule

| Arrival | 7:35-8:00 |
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| School begins | 8:00 |
| Lunch blocks | 11:15 – 12:40 |
| 2:45 p.m. | Dismissal for bus riders, car riders/walkers/Latchkey will follow bus riders |

School Masses

All grades attend Mass weekly. Masses are held on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in St. Gabriel Church. All parents are welcome to attend student masses.

Religion

Religion classes are held daily in grades K-8 unless the children attend mass. All students, Catholic and non-Catholic alike, attend mass and study Catholic doctrine.

<u>Uniforms</u>

Students in K-8 wear a uniform each day. Students may wear a St. Gabriel spirit wear shirt with uniform bottoms each Friday. See the Uniform Policy sheet for specifics about our uniform.

Transportation

Transportation is provided to our students by the following districts:

| Princeton | 554-0105 | Lakota | 755-5821 |
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| Fairfield | 829-6603 | Winton Woods | 619-2405 |

<u>Tuition</u>

Tuition is determined annually by the Pastors. Tuition fees for the 2024-2025 school year will be posted on our website. All families will be assessed a \$175 **non-refundable** application fee annually.

FACTS is the service we use for our tuition payments. All families will need to sign up for **FACTS** online, this is where you pay the <u>non-refundable</u> application fee.

St. Gabriel School accepts EdChoice Scholarships. The EdChoice Application window typically opens February 1st.

Catholic Education Fund Grants available to those who qualify by completing FACTS Financial Aid on-line. (deadline is typically February 2nd)

<u>Cafeteria</u>

Hot lunch is served daily at a cost of \$3.50 (subject to change). Students may also pack their lunch and purchase milk at a cost of 65 cents per carton. Parents will have access to account balances on-line through MySchoolBucks.com. Login information will be sent home with your child the first week of school. Free and reduced lunch applications can be found on our website at the start of each school year. Please be sure your application is for the correct school year.

Applications for New Students

Applications for the following school year are accepted at St. Gabriel Consolidated School beginning in January. The link to our application can be found on our website or at <u>www.stgabriel-oh.finalforms.com</u>. You will know you have completed each section in Final Forms when they turn from red to green. Once the application is completed in Final Forms, and the application fee is paid in FACTS the school will reach out to schedule a shadow date for the student.

Latchkey

After school care is available to all students enrolled at St. Gabriel Consolidated School. Latchkey is open every day that school is in session from 2:45 - 6:00 p.m. All students must be picked up no later than 6:00 p.m., or a late fee will be charged. Any student not picked up by 2:50 at regular dismissal, will be sent to Latchkey and you will be charged for that day. The fee is \$15.00/day per child and you will be billed monthly.

Computers

All students attend computer lab at least once a week. Interactive SMART boards are used regularly in all classrooms. We have a junior high 1:1 laptop program for 7th & 8th grade students, as well as classroom sets of iPads or laptops for grades K-6.

<u>Algebra</u>

An Algebra1 class is offered to 8th grade students based on an aptitude test given in the spring of 7th grade. High school credit may be earned through our partnership with Roger Bacon High School.

<u>Music</u>

All students in grades K-6 attend music class twice a week; grades 7-8 attend once a week. Students in grade K-4 perform choral programs on special occasions such as Christmas or Grandparents' Day. Grades are given for this class.

<u>Art</u>

Students in grades K-8 have art class with an art teacher once a week. Grades are given for this class.

Library

All students have the opportunity to go to the Library each week. Our librarian is available to help match students with books that are at their reading and interest levels.

<u>Gym</u>

All students have gym class with a Physical Education teacher twice a week. Grades are given for this class.

<u>Spanish</u>

All students in grades K-6 receive instruction in Spanish one day a week. This program enriches the language arts program through age appropriate activities and, on occasion, a Spanish assignment is given for credit in other subjects at the $5^{th} - 6^{th}$ grade level.

<u>STEM</u>

All students in grades K-8 will have hands-on STEM lessons through the Civil Air Patrol Program twice a month as a supplement to the science and math curriculum.

Student Council

Grades 6-8 elect Student Council representatives each year. Student Council member help to organize special events for students, and they assist at Open House, Grandparents Day, and on other occasions.

Recess

All students have a recess break after lunch each day. Unless it is raining, excessively hot, excessively cold, or icy, students go outside for recess. Some upper grade students may choose to stay in to work with a teacher during the recess time.

<u>Band</u>

Students in grades 4-8 have the opportunity to register for an instructional band program. Band is directed by an outside instructor for both beginner and advanced band on Friday afternoons. There is a fee paid to the band director in order to participate.