

SCHOOL OF THE MADELEINE



*Excellence in
Catholic Education*

2026-2027 School Year Application Packet



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School of the Madeleine

PROGRAM INFORMATION

School of the Madeleine is a Catholic elementary school (Preschool through Grade 8) recognized throughout the Diocese for its caring Christian environment and strong academic curriculum. The School is part of St. Mary Magdalene Parish, and is fully accredited by the Western Catholic Educational Association and Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

We are a faith community of dedicated educators. We believe in educating the whole child according to the teachings of Jesus. Accordingly, the program stresses sharing the message of Jesus, fostering community, and motivating service to others without discrimination.

Our curriculum includes the study of religion, mathematics, reading, spelling, language arts, science, social studies, computers, and Spanish (5-8). Specialists instruct the students in music and physical education. Currently, the faculty consist of 24 full time teachers and 5 part-time teachers.

School classrooms open at 8:00 am with classes beginning at 8:05 am. Dismissal is at 2:45 pm Monday – Thursday and 12:00 pm on Fridays. The YMCA operates our Extended Care program. A qualified staff is available to students from 6:30 am – 8:00 am and from school dismissal till 6:00 pm.

The goal of our physical education program is to provide an enjoyable and health-promoting experience for every child. P.E. classes for each grade meet twice a week and include physical fitness activities, movement concepts of space awareness and skill themes taught in the context of games.

The goal of the after school sports program is to foster friendships, provide leadership opportunities, and to help students develop a positive attitude toward sports and athletic competition. There is a fee charged for participation. Sports include football, soccer, basketball, volleyball, cross country, and track for boys and girls grades 3-8 and track and soccer for grades K-2.

The school has a counselor available for students and families. Mr. Fishburne is a licensed family therapist and has been working with children for several years.

Uniforms, available for purchase through The Uniform Store, are required for all students. Certain dress-up days are held during the year.

A tuition and fee schedule for the 2025-2026 school year is included in this packet. New rates will be available in February. Each school year, parents sign a financial responsibility form. This is an agreement that indicates who will pay the tuition to the school and in what amounts. The cost of educating each child is significantly more than our tuition fees. Each family is required to give a minimum of 20 hours of service to the school community during the year. Families are also required to support the Parent Support Association Fundraisers at a minimum of \$260.00 per family. This is referred to as the P.S.A. Commitment.

The Parent Support Association (PSA) includes all school parents. The organization gives parents the opportunity to become acquainted with other parents, with teachers and board members, and to be informed of school business. We believe that parents are the primary educators of children, and that the P.S.A. is one of the ways we can collaborate effectively in the religious and educational process. The P.S.A. sponsors three major fund raising events each year.

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

Thank you for your interest in School of the Madeleine. We are proud of the high standards, moral values, and academic excellence of our school, and invite you to become part of the Madeleine family.

Included in this packet is Program Information, a Tuition and Fees schedule for the current year, an Application, and two Recommendation Forms. If you are interested in touring the school and meeting with the Administration, please call the school office to make an appointment.

A special Zoom meeting for new parents interested in enrolling their child in the Kindergarten Program will be held on **January 29, 2026 at 5:00pm**. This meeting will be an introduction to our unique developmentally-based Kindergarten. A zoom meeting link will be emailed to parents who have applied to kindergarten and to those who have requested to attend. Children must be 5 years old by September 1 in order to be considered for admission.

New students are not ordinarily accepted in Grade 8.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

An application fee of \$90.00 (per family) and your completed application form with the required documents are to be dropped off at the school office in person or by US mail. *No email submissions please*. Please be sure to sign and date the application. Incomplete application packets will not be processed and may be returned for completion. The application fee is non-refundable.

- 1) Photocopies of the following documents must be included with the Student Application form:
Please note: *the school office does not provide copy services.*
 - a) State Issued Birth Certificate
 - b) Baptismal Certificate
 - c) Immunization Record
 - d) Most recent report card or progress reports for students entering (Gr. 1-7)
 - e) Most recent academic testing results for students in (Gr. 2-7)
- 2) Two Letters of Recommendation (*for students entering grades 4-7 only*) Attached forms may be used. These two recommendations are required. One to be completed by a current teacher, and one to be completed by the current principal. After completion the teacher and principal should mail these letters directly to the school.

Applications are considered according to these guidelines:

- a) Existing school families that have a sibling who is baptized Catholic
- b) Registered and supporting parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene at least one year prior to application date
- c) Existing school families with a sibling that is not baptized Catholic
- d) Non-supporting registered parishioners and baptized Catholic students from other parishes
- e) All others

Ability of the school to meet the needs of a particular student is always a consideration. Within the above listed categories, the school reserves the right to select the appropriate candidate(s). The Admissions Committee makes the final decision regarding admission. The school does not operate on a waitlist system.

INTERVIEW, ASSESSMENTS, & ACCEPTANCE

Kindergarten school readiness assessments will begin mid February. Applications submitted for grades 1-7 will be held and scheduled for a parent/student pre-admission interview and student assessment as space becomes available. Only notifications of acceptance will be emailed to applicants. All new students are accepted on a probationary status for one school semester. This period of time is designed to ensure proper adjustment to the school environment and curriculum.

Sincerely,
Dana Davalos
Principal

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Tuition and Fees

2025-2026

STUDENT FEES

Student fees are due for each child annually. Student fees for the 2025-2026 school year are **\$300.00**. Payment for returning Madeleine students is due **May 15**.

Student fees for new students entering Madeleine (K-8) are due at the time they are accepted. Madeleine preschool students entering the Kindergarten program are considered new students; therefore, student fees are due at the time of acceptance. Student fees are non-refundable.

Student Fees include the following: Textbook Rental, Workbooks, Materials, Student Insurance (required), lunch supervision, Diocesan Testing, and Diocesan head tax.

TUITION

Tuition is paid in ten monthly payments from July to April. All families are required to sign a Tuition Contract and Payment Plan that commits them to monthly payments. Tuition is due on the first of the month and a late charge is assessed after the tenth.

(A.) Catholic	Per Year	@ 10 Month
With 1 child in school	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 710.00
With 2 children in school	\$ 13,600.00	\$ 1,360.00
With 3 children in school	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 1,950.00
With 4 children in school	\$ 23,200.00	\$ 2,320.00
(B.) Non-Catholic	Per Year	@ 10 Month
With 1 child in school	\$ 8,300.00	\$830.00
With 2 children in school	\$ 16,000.00	\$1,600.00
With 3 children in school	\$ 23,100.00	\$2,310.00
With 4 children in school	\$ 28,000.00	\$2,800.00

Student Fees and Tuition Rates do not include extended care costs.

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*Student Application***2026 - 2027**

School Year

School Office Use Only

Date Fee Paid	
Check #	
Received By	
Sibling Grade	

Student Information

Last Name First Middle Application For Grade Application Date

- ☐ Male
☐ Female

Birth Date

Birth City

Religion

Parish Name & Envelope #

Home Address

City

Zip

Main Phone Number

School Currently Enrolled

Address

City/State

Zip

Has your child ever been enrolled in any special learning programs or have special needs related to learning? Please describe.

Does your child have any significant health problems?

How did you hear about School of the Madeleine?

Sacraments**Baptism****First Reconciliation****First Communion**

Date Received

Church

City/State

Family Information**Marital Status**

- ☐ Traditional
☐ Separated
☐ Divorced

- ☐ Father Remarried
☐ Mother Remarried
☐ Father or Mother is Deceased

If Separated or Divorced

- ☐ Child Resides with Mother
☐ Child Resides with Father
☐ Shared Custody

Father's Religion

Mother's Religion

Father's Last Name

First

MI

Address

City/Zip

☐ Address is same as above

Occupation & Place of Business

Work Phone

Cell Phone

E-mail Address

Alumni of School of the Madeleine? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Parent /Guardian Signature:

Mother's Last Name & Maiden Name

First

MI

Address

City/Zip

☐ Address is same as above

Occupation & Place of Business

Work Phone

Cell Phone

E-mail Address

Alumni of School of the Madeleine? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date:

RECOMMENDATION FORM (Grades 4-7)

Student's Name _____
First Middle Last

Applying for grade _____ for the 2026-2027 school year.

Recommendation by: _____ ☐ Administrator ☐ Teacher

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STUDENT RATING

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Conduct and attitude:	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average
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Social adjustment:	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average
Punctuality:	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average
Self Confidence:	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average
Parent's cooperation with school:	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average

FURTHER COMMENTS

Special talents/aptitudes: _____
(For additional comments, use the back of this sheet)

Has the student been suspended from school or been subject to serious disciplinary actions?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain: _____

How long have you known this student? _____

In what grade(s) and subject(s) have you taught him, her? _____

School Name: _____ School Telephone: _____

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