



Registration Information

St. Bernadette School looks forward to registering students for the 2017-2018 school year. Parish families, and families already established in our school, may register students in Grades preschool through 5 during an in-house enrollment in February. Registration will open to the general public in March. Private tours of our facility are always welcomed, and can be arranged by calling the school office at 740-654-3137.

A non-refundable deposit of \$200.00/family is due at the time of registration. The entire deposit will be applied to tuition. (preschool registrants are asked to pay the first monthly payment.) New students should bring a copy of their birth or baptismal certificate.

St. Bernadette preschool offers a leveled-learning approach, tailored to your child, with an emphasis on one-on-one teaching. The preschool program has a progressive learning curriculum, with the goal of kindergarten readiness. In addition to the academic curriculum, cultural studies of the world are included. These positive, academic experiences are offered in the following classes:

- **3-year old Preschool Class** – this introduction to school is offered two mornings per week *(usually Tuesdays and Thursdays) from 8:30AM – 11:00AM. Your “potty-trained” 3 year old will be introduced to social play, sharing and cooperating with peers, drawing, painting, pretending, and music, as well as an introduction to the academics of numbers and letters.
- **4-year old Preschool Class**- this class typically meets three days per week* in the morning from 8:30-11:00AM. In addition to social skills and school orientation, your child will explore his/her relationship with God. He/she child will discover the alphabet using a unit approach. Weeklong activities will enhance the understanding of each letter. Through the use of phonics, he/she will learn that letters build words. Left to right activities will develop pre-reading skills. Your child will learn about numbers, counting, sorting and patterns. He/she will master story telling and story re-telling. He/she will enjoy painting, drawing, singing and dancing.
- **4 and 5 year old Pre-K Class** – this class meets Monday through Friday from 12:00-2:30PM. It is designed for 4 and 5 year olds preparing for kindergarten. In addition to the curriculum above, the consistency of every day sessions, and an accelerated pace, will allow for a more thorough introduction to the academics required for kindergarten.

* **Scheduled days can be flexible to meet each family's needs.**

St. Bernadette is pleased offer a **full-day Kindergarten** program. Our kindergarten students are given the opportunity to more fully experience the rich tradition that St. Bernadette has to offer. Our full-day sessions will continue the highly respected program of academic excellence and positive experiences for which St. Bernadette kindergarten is known. Studies show that students in full-day kindergarten programs gain the equivalent of more than a month's learning in both reading and mathematics; and exhibit higher test scores. Our kindergarten program meets the standards set forth by the Ohio Department of Education and the Diocese of Columbus. The kindergarten class participates in our school-wide assemblies and service projects. Our program includes special instruction in music, enrichment, physical education, library and technology. The children are nurtured in a Catholic, caring community, where Christ's teachings permeate all areas of our curriculum.

Elementary grades of 1 through 5 follow a guided course of study from the Diocese of Columbus, which meets and exceeds all State Standards. Our school is fully accredited by the Ohio Catholic School Accrediting Association. Standardized test scores indicate that our students consistently rank higher than the National test scores. Each of our students is a valued individual with unique physical, social, emotional, and intellectual needs. Students interact in a supportive and challenging learning environment, where mutual respect among our students and staff is evident.

Before and After-School care is offered. Our Extended Day Program provides morning care from 6:30am until the start of school, and after-care from dismissal until 5:30pm. The EDP handbook, which includes rates and policies, is available on the school's website.

Tuition rates for the 2017-2018 school year are as follows:

- Preschool rates:
 - 2 half days/week \$900 annual (monthly payments of \$100.00)
 - 3 half days/week \$1200 annual (monthly payments of \$134.00)
 - 5 half days/week \$1700 annual (monthly payments of \$189.00)
 - Other options available- please call the school office
- Grades K-5 tuition –
 - Non participating \$5300/ student
 - Participating 1st child \$3400, 2nd child \$3260, 3rd child \$3160

For more information, please call the school office 740-654-3137 – we look forward to meeting you.

With warmest regards,
Pamela Eltringham, Principal
Barbara Huber, School Secretary