

# Tuition and Fees

Notre Dame Academy is financed, in part, through tuition and fees. Since tuition only partially covers the per pupil cost of education at NDA, the Office of Mission Advancement conducts an Annual Fund. Parents, as well as other constituents, are asked to contribute each year to the Annual Fund, which is tax deductible, while tuition is not. These revenues sustain salaries, benefits, on-going educational programs and the general maintenance of the school plant. Tuition and fees are determined annually by the Board of Trustees. In addition to tuition, there is a non-refundable registration fee for all new students.

# Family Focus

NDA has a very strong family focus. We try to create experiences that will bring families together to pray, to socialize and have fun, and to create a lifetime of wonderful memories. Some of our family-focused activities are: Family Day, Father-Daughter Dance, Mother-Daughter Celebration, Grandparents' Day, and Family Communion Breakfast.



# Sports

Sporting events under the auspices of Notre Dame Academy Elementary School include:

**Softball - Basketball - Soccer**

**Swimming - Track**

# Mission Statement

*In the tradition of the  
Congregation of Notre Dame,  
the mission of Notre Dame Academy  
is to advance, embody and excel at  
liberating education, an education  
which leads each girl and young woman  
to become an agent  
of her own transformation and  
of the transformation of society.*

# Campus

The campus of Notre Dame Academy is comprised of thirteen acres and six buildings. From its vantage point on Grymes Hill, the Academy overlooks Silver Lake Park and New York Harbor. It is easily accessible from the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, and is convenient to Victory Boulevard and Forest Avenue bus routes.



## NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

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## NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Pre-Kindergarten Through 8th Grade



*Spiritual*

*Intellectual*

*Social*



*Physical*

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# History

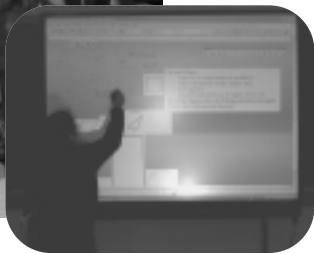
In this 21st century, Notre Dame Academy is a rare and precious enterprise, since it is one of very few Catholic schools nationwide, and the only school on Staten Island, dedicated to educating girls from Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12.

Throughout a more than 100-year history Notre Dame Academy has provided a very focused educational environment, challenging girls and young women to learn to their full capacities – capacities even greater than their times and their societies thought possible.

Notre Dame Academy was founded in 1903 by the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame. The Sisters' foundress, St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, had unflinching devotion to our Blessed Mother; hence, the school's dedication to Mary under the title "Notre Dame".

# Administration

Notre Dame Academy is a private all girls' Catholic school administered by a President and two Principals, an Elementary Principal and a High School Principal. They work together as a team to advance the mission of NDA. Among their responsibilities is the implementation of policies created by a governing Board of Trustees. A handbook of these policies is provided for parents and students.



**Computer technology is offered to students from Pre-K through 8th grade. Upper grade students create multi-media presentations using Microsoft PowerPoint. The use of SmartBoards has become an important part of technology.**

# Accreditation

The Academy holds accreditation from the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and the Commission on Elementary Schools. Notre Dame Academy follows the New York State curriculum regulations and the guidelines as outlined in the Essential Learnings developed by the Archdiocese of New York. Within this framework, NDA strives to provide a program, which is authentically Catholic and scholastically challenging.

**The Pre-Kindergarten Program offers a faith-filled, developmentally appropriate environment, built on trust, inclusion, affirmation and creativity.**



# Curriculum

- Religion
- Mathematics
- Language Arts
- Social Studies
- Science
- Foreign Language (Spanish or French)
- Physical Education
- Technology/Computer
- Art and Music
- The Ophelia Project

**6th, 7th, and 8th graders receive instruction in a departmental setting as a final preparation for High School.**

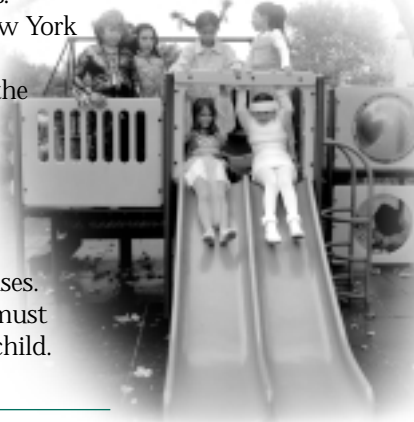
# Admission

Notre Dame Academy is an equal opportunity educational institution in the administration of educational policies, admission policies, or any school administered programs. Female students of any color, race, or religion are accepted. Pre-Kindergarten admission is based on age. Girls must be four years old before December 1st. An informal screening and parent interview are held at the time of application.

Kindergarten applicants must be five years old before December 1st and formal testing and interviews are required. Application for Grades 1 through 8 requires review of recent standardized testing results and report cards; results of tests administered by NDA in reading, math, and language arts; presentation of an acceptable writing sample; and candidate and parent interviews.

The State of New York requires every child entering school for the first time to have a complete physical examination and to show proof of immunization from communicable diseases.

This information must be on file for every child.



**The Aftercare Program is available to all NDA students at the end of the school day.**

