



Siena Catholic Academy - FAQs

How is transportation to and from school handled?

School districts must provide to nonpublic school students residing in the district. The distance to be measured is fifteen miles from the student's home to the nonpublic school. Districts measure this distance in any number of ways, as long as they apply a consistent system for all residents. Some families choose to drive.

What is tuition?

For 2017-2018, parish-sponsored families pay \$5,092 for their first child, \$3,600 for their second child, and \$2,600 for their third child in Siena. Non parishioners pay \$6,192 for their first child, \$4,600 for their second child, and \$3,600 for their third child in the school. There is a \$650 discount for families with younger children in any one of the nine Diocesan elementary schools in Monroe County. More information is available on the school website under the Admissions tab.

Is there financial aid available?

Yes. In the 2016-2017 school year, 100% of our families that applied for financial aid received some assistance, the average being \$1,800. We distributed \$203K in aid and scholarships.

How do I Apply?

Registration forms and the Family/Parish Commitment Form (required of those seeking the parish-sponsored discount) are available in the main office and online. Submit these to the mail office or mail them to Siena Catholic Academy, 2617 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14610. Final acceptance is dependent on a review of the student's academic records. In some cases an interview may need to be scheduled. There is no registration fee.

Why should I choose Siena for my 6th or 7th grade child?

Siena offers a unique educational opportunity for your child. It is the only co-educational Catholic school devoted solely to middle school students in the Diocese of Rochester. It offers an academic program and learning environment that bridges the gap between elementary school and high school. The early adolescent years are a time of transition from childhood to adulthood. Siena will provide educational opportunities that are flexible enough to enrich their lives yet structured enough to satisfy needs common to all in a safe environment. Particular attention is given to the significant changes our students will experience in their physical, emotional, intellectual, and social development in order for them to be able to realize their full potential.

What if I want my son or daughter to go to one of the Catholic High Schools for 9th grade...won't it be easier for them to get in if they start there at grade 6?

Siena has an excellent relationship with all of our Catholic high schools. We have a long tradition of sending about 90% of our graduates to our Catholic high schools each year. Of our 2016 graduating class, 22 went on to Aquinas, 4 to Bishop Kearney, 17 to McQuaid, and 29 to Mercy and 16 went to public schools. Every student was accepted into the school of his or her choice. Choosing Siena for your child's middle school education offers a great transitional program from elementary to high school. Students at Siena have opportunities to develop and exercise leadership immediately, they develop socialization skills in a co-educational atmosphere, and they build a strong foundation for academic success as proven by the stellar records Siena graduates have exhibited in their high school years.