

Mission Statement:

St. Patrick School is a welcoming Catholic community, led by Caring Educators, teaching a Rigorous Curriculum grounded in Christian Values developing Character and Respect for Others.

Faith Formation:

St. Patrick School is a Catholic, child-centered, elementary school where the staff, parents and parish community educate the whole child spiritually and academically. We help children develop their personal relationship with God, particularly as they prepare to celebrate the Sacraments. We strongly encourage family participation in our Parish community and at weekly Mass.

General Information:

Each grade has two classrooms with up to 30 children per class. Each unit has two teacher aides. Children will be randomly placed in classrooms each year and have daily opportunities to interact with all children within their grade.

Early Childhood Wing:	Preschool & Kindergarten
Primary Unit:	Grades 1-3
Intermediate Unit:	Grades 4-5
Junior High Unit:	Grades 6-8
Library:	Grades K-5
Science / STEM Lab:	Grades K-8
Music:	Grades K-5
Physical Education:	Grades K-8
Art	Grades K-6

Before and After School Care:

We offer before and after school resources for your child. Innovation Learning® specializes in action-packed, enriching fun on-site for St. Patrick students! Care options include prior to school beginning at 6:30 a.m. and from school dismissal until 6:00 p.m. For more information and forms, please go to our website at www.spswadsworth.org/after-school-care.cfm.

Uniforms:

 Our uniform supplier is Dennis Uniform

- 7055 W. Higgins Ave, Chicago IL 60656
- (708)669-7944/ dennisuniform.com—
- Our School code is GPTKV

Please review our uniform policy in the Parent/Student Handbook: <http://www.spswadsworth.org/parents/>

Gym Uniforms are purchased through the school:

<http://www.spswadsworth.org/admissions/uniformdresscode.cfm>

Bus Service:

We offer bus service for students who live in the Gurnee District #56 School District and the Woodland #50 School District. The current annual cost is approximately \$150 per student.

If you live north of Grand Avenue in the Woodland School District, your bus location will be in your neighborhood. Location and times will be distributed before the beginning of the new school year.

If you live south of Grand Avenue in the Woodland School District, there is a pick-up and drop off at St. Paul the Apostle Church at 6401 Gages Lake Road.

For details and forms please see our website at www.spswadsworth.org/bus.cfm.

Important School Sites:

Please bookmark our school website which includes the school calendar, link to FACTs tuition management system and other policy information.

Website:

<http://www.spswadsworth.org/>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/SPSwadsworth/>

Instagram:

https://www.instagram.com/stpatrickschool_wadsworth/

Tuition Compliance Activities and Volunteer Opportunities

Virtus Training:

All parochial school volunteers and employees within the Archdiocese of Chicago are required to complete four requirements of VIRTUS training, prior to working or volunteering at school. This includes classroom parties and coming in to your child's classroom even for one hour, or coaching a sport. For more information about the training schedule and forms please go to our website at <http://www.spswadsworth.org/volunteercompliance.cfm>

- ◆ Complete VIRTUS Training. A three-hour training session that all school volunteers and employees are required to attend. These sessions are also referred to as "Protecting God's Children", and are an informational meeting to create a level of awareness regarding child safety.
- ◆ Complete the online background check form via our website.
- ◆ Complete the Archdiocese Code of Conduct form via our website.
- ◆ Complete the CANTS (DCFS) form via our website. Note: This is an annual required form to be completed by all volunteers.
- ◆ Complete Mandated Reporter Training

20 Hour Compliance Activities

Being a Catholic school means the funds for our school come directly from the tuition of the school families, parish support and any additional fundraising. Fundraisers are staffed through our required tuition compliance activities. All families are required to dedicate approximately 20 hours to one or more fundraising activity selected prior to the start of the school year.

ACTIVITY
Booster Club (Athletics program, coaches, concessions)
Cash Payment (\$800 in August/\$1000 in May for non-compliance)
Family Fun Fair (Planning Committee)
Hornet Hustle 5k/10K (Planning Committee)
Jog-a-thon (Planning Committee)
Fall Auction
Parent Association General Committee are eligible for tuition compliance, other PA events are volunteer-only.
Parent/Child Events (Planning Committee)
School Staff Support (Classroom/Library support, lunch, recess, parking lot, pizza days, Box Tops,
SCRIP (Planning Committee)
Spring Raffle

Other Volunteer Opportunities/Fun Activities

The items posted below are some of the most fun the students have all year and the most memorable events. We depend on parents and families to volunteer so we can hold these events.

ACTIVITY
Room Parents: (K-5) Gather and Coordinate Party Volunteers
Classroom Holiday Parties (K-5) - Parties held for Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day. All classrooms need at least 2-3 volunteers. Parties can't be held without them.
Parent Association Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Back Ice Cream Social and Kindergarten Coffee • Christmas Craft Night • Hospitality Events (Supply food for Kindergarten Coffee, Parent Teacher Conferences, Academic Fair Judges and Teacher Appreciation Week). • Field Day (K-5) Run events, activities
Jog-a-thon (Run events, and activities)
Girl Scouts and Scouts Troops
Catholic Schools Week and Book Fair
Restaurant Nights: Eat out at participating restaurants raises money for the school
SCRIP: Purchase gift cards through school and school receives a percentage and you receive a tuition rebate
Amazon Smile: Percentage of purchases is donated to school
Matching Employer Gifts. Check with your employer if they match contributions made to the school