

St. Mary's School Fine Arts Academy Grades 7 - 9

Parents and Students:

We ask you to think seriously before applying to the Fine Arts Academy. The Fine Arts Academy is designed to accommodate students who:

- 1. Have a keen interest in the arts and enjoy working in them
- 2. See themselves as potentially pursuing a career in the Fine Arts

In order for students to be successful in the Fine Arts Academy they need to have an excellent attitude, good work habits, and be well organized. The Fine Arts Academy is a program of choice, therefore a fee (on reverse) will be charged to be in the program.

Since the Fine Arts Academy is a "program of choice," students may be moved back into the regular program if it is clear they are experiencing problems with interest and effort in academic or fine arts classes. <u>Returning students</u> who have had problems with attitude and effort (or have an outstanding school fee balance) may not be allowed to register in the Academy again

SELECTION PROCESS:

- 1. Current Grade 7 & 8 St. Mary's School Fine Arts Academy students
- 2. Current Grade 6 students registered at & attending a Medicine Hat Catholic school
- 3. Current Grade 7 & 8 non-academy St. Mary's School students
- 4. Current Grade 7 & 8 Notre Dame students
- 5. New students to Medicine Hat Catholic once accepted into the division

Students in the Fine Arts Academy will take the following classes:

- Grade 7 Academy students will take Religion, Science, Math, Humanities (LA & Social Studies integrated), plus 5 fine arts options.
- Grade 8 Academy students will take Religion, Science, Math, Humanities (LA & Social Studies integrated) with extra time built in the timetable in the Humanities class in order to help them prepare for Grade 9 Academics.
- Grade 9 Academy students will take Religion, Math, Science plus 5 fine arts options, however, the students take social studies and language arts separately, instead of humanities. This helps prepare the students academically for grade 9 provincial achievement exams as well as high school.

Academic Classes	Fine Arts Options
Religion	Art
Math	Band
Science	Choral
Language Arts	Dance
Social Studies	Drama

Fine Arts Academies are capped at 30 students per grade, so please complete your online registration as soon as possible to secure a spot.

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	FEE
Fine Arts Academy	\$315.00
Instrument Rental (if required)	\$90.00
Band Supplies	\$40.00
TOTAL ACADEMY FEE	\$445.00

PARENTS/GUARDIANS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SET UP A SCHOOL CASH ONLINE ACCOUNT AS ALL ACADEMY FEES WILL BE PROCESSED THROUGH SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

