

# St. JUDE

THE APOSTLE  
SCHOOL

Wynantskill, NY

*Nurturing & Educating Since 1953*



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# Welcome to St Jude the Apostle family

Since 1953, St Jude the Apostle School has provided countless children with outstanding academic experiences with one thing in common: our past and present students share the magnificent benefits of an education that is always grounded in faith and focused on preparedness for the future. Our school is a special place to learn, work, and worship.

St. Jude the Apostle School is accredited by the AdvancED North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI) and serves students from early childhood through sixth grade from all surrounding school districts and counties. Children of all faiths are welcomed to join our school community and receive an education that prepares them for the modern world and its many opportunities and exciting challenges. Because of our traditionally proven high academic standards and strong moral character, our graduates are well-prepared for the rigors of middle school and beyond.

Recently, St. Jude the Apostle School celebrated 60 years of excellence. This milestone reminds me of the tremendous impact our school has on the lives of its students. It is our everlasting mission to create an environment where a sense of values and proper attitudes are fostered, human dignity and personal worth are nourished, discipline and self-direction are developed, and faith flourishes.

By choosing St. Jude the Apostle School , your child is joining a storied history of accomplishment. St. Jude the Apostle empowers a challenging curriculum accommodating students of all abilities. The academic programs continuously meet or exceed the benchmarks set by both the New York State Department of Education and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany. Above all, you gift your son or daughter an opportunity to learn about their faith, not as separate from other learning, but rather as part of all learning.

**“The best way to discover the benefits of St. Jude the Apostle School is by spending some time with us.”**

I invite you to visit us to see a distinguished education in action. I would be honored to personally give you a tour of our facilities. I welcome the opportunity to share more of the good news that is St. Jude the Apostle School.

God Bless,

*Danielle Cox*

Danielle Cox  
Principal

# The St. Jude the Apostle Experience

## Our Mission

From Jude, a servant of Jesus Christ and the brother of James.

To those who have been called by God.

Who live in the love of God the Father and the protection of Jesus Christ.

May mercy, peace and love be yours in full measure and those you serve.

St. Jude the Apostle School of Wynantskill, New York is an educational ministry of St. Jude the Apostle Parish. In the spirit of Jude, a servant of Jesus Christ, we are committed to teaching children Christian values in a caring, nurturing, safe environment within our Pre-K through Grade Six elementary school. Our student body is comprised of children from throughout the Capital District, coming from a variety of backgrounds.

St. Jude the Apostle School is dedicated to providing excellent academic programs that enable every child to develop spiritually, intellectually, socially and emotionally. The school follows the New York State and Diocesan curriculum guidelines in religion, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, technology, art, music, Spanish, physical education and library. As the first teachers of their children, parents are encouraged to assist in guiding the children to achieve their full potential.

We teach our students to value knowledge as a means of learning. A variety of methods are used to obtain the goals of New York State and Diocesan curriculum. In addition to traditional methodology, students participate in a variety of integrated hands-on-learning activities that compliment the curriculum.

The children of St. Jude the Apostle School seek truth, practice Christian virtues, and respect all people, thus imitating Christ in their daily lives.



## Our Philosophy

The faculty and staff at St. Jude the Apostle School are committed to the belief that our school exists for the purpose of educating children to be loving, knowledgeable, productive individuals who have the primary responsibility of developing their talents so as to be pleasing to God, our Creator.

We believe that God intended for each of us to develop our intellects in order that we might come to know Him, to love Him, and to develop a more personal relationship with Him.

We believe in the strength of the family and we believe that parents are indeed the primary educators for their children. We further believe that we must work collaboratively with parents in teaching our children those Christian concepts that will guide them through life and enable them to successfully fulfill their personal missions here on earth.

We are mindful that parents and teachers must act as exemplary role models for children. It is primarily for this reason that we encourage parents to become involved and to actively participate in the business of the school. Such a partnership not only gives children the security of knowing that everyone is working towards the same goals, but it also demonstrates that genuine love and caring often are the by-products when people demonstrate respect for one another.



## Statement of Beliefs

We believe that St. Jude the Apostle School, with the involvement and support of our families, teaches each student to have the values of Jesus and to respect the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church.

We believe that at St. Jude the Apostle School, students receive a quality education in an atmosphere conducive to academic success and moral development.

We believe that St. Jude the Apostle School provides an environment in which our students are encouraged to develop and share their talents and abilities, enrich their character, and deepen their sense of respect and responsibility.

We believe that at St. Jude the Apostle School, teachers and staff are committed to help each student achieve his or her full potential.

# Nurturing & Educational Experience

St. Jude the Apostle School offers a competitive academic program, following the entire New York State curriculum in conjunction with the curriculum of the Albany Roman Catholic Diocese.

St. Jude the Apostle School is accredited by AdvancED NCA CASI and is recognized for our devotion to our mission, high academic standards, and commitment to addressing the concerns of our parents and the needs of our students.

Within the prescribed curriculum and course of study, teachers have the flexibility and are encouraged to be creative in the design of their instructional patterns. They are encouraged to use a variety of techniques and methods of approach in the teaching of their subject matter, always with the focus on motivating students and meeting their individual needs and learning styles.

Upon graduation, many of our students secure academic scholarships to some of the area's finest middle and high school programs.

Religion is an integral part of our school program and as such, religion lessons and the Gospel message are taught each day. Students of all denominations are welcome in our classrooms and invited to learn about God's love. Students partake in daily prayers, weekly school liturgies, reconciliation, stations of the cross and student service projects throughout the year.

In addition to our core curriculum, we offer a broad range of activities, including: **Spanish, Technology, Library, STREAM, Music, Art, Physical Education, Instrumental Music, School Chorus, Bowling, Drama Club, CYO Sports, Homework Club, Student Ambassadors, Lego Club, Baking Club, Reading & Writing Clubs and more.**

The Catholic Schools of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany embrace the State Learning Standards with excitement and challenge. As we move ahead in this journey together, we are confident in the many talents and gifts that God has given us to achieve our fullest potential for His honor and glory. With our hand firmly grasped in His, we move forward recognizing that the work of our hands is truly His own.

St. Jude the Apostle School offers a safe and secure environment where students can learn and grow. Continuous improvements are made to the building and facilities. St. Jude the Apostle School has a state-of-the-art security system that is continually monitored by office staff and administration. Recent upgrades to outside doors and windows also enhance the security of the building.







## Staff

Our Elementary School provides a superior educational environment steeped in Catholic tradition, providing an authentically Catholic experience while still catering to the diversity of our students and faculty. We are an accredited institution by the AdvancED North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI). All of our elementary teachers are state certified and undergo continuous professional development ensuring that our lesson plans and curriculum meets and exceeds state standards established for the public school system.

## Beyond the Basics

Our school is unique in that we offer all of our students from Pre-K through sixth grade special classes which include: Technology, Art, Spanish, Music, Religion, Library and Physical Education. In addition, students in 3rd – 6th grade participate in weekly Health class and STREAM class (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) in our fully-equipped STREAM lab.



# The St. Jude Early Childhood Center

## Philosophy

It is the philosophy of the Early Childhood Center at St. Jude the Apostle School that Pre-Kindergarten should be a time that encourages the social, emotional, physical, and intellectual growth and development of the child. Our program is theme-oriented which includes an Early Childhood Curriculum that is based on the alphabet and enables children to discover the joy of learning.

## Our Program Offerings

Three(3) and Four(4) Year Old, Full and Half Day: AM and PM Classes:

- Half Day AM Classes: 8:00-11:00 Monday through Friday
- Half Day PM Classes: 11:30-2:30 Monday through Friday
- Full Day: 8:00-2:15 Monday through Friday

The following specials are provided to all Pre-K programs: Art, Technology, Library, Music, Physical Education and Spanish.

**Pre-K (3) Curriculum:** (must be 3 years old by Dec.1st) Children in the Pre-K (3) program are just beginning to experience school and being away from home. The Pre-K teachers encourage independence. Their goal is to teach the students to respect their classmates; their space; and their feelings. They believe that the most important thing for them to learn is that “school can be a great place to be!”

**Pre-K (4) Curriculum:** (must be 4 years old by Dec.1st) Pre-K is an exciting time in a young child's life. It is a time of new discovery, new friends, and new adjustments. Most of all, it is a time of learning. The Pre-K (4) program is aligned with the New York State Curriculum and Learning Standards, and is a wonderful time and important journey for your young child toward school readiness.

## Extended Day Care Services

Before School Care Available: 7:30-8:00 (no additional cost)

After School Program: 2:15-5:30 Separate Registration Required

## Early Childhood Summer Program (Pre-K and Kindergarten)

The program is designed to combine the interests of children in Pre-K and Kindergarten with learning through discovery. The program takes a thematic approach to include a variety of educational and social experiences in a safe and creative environment. Held at St. Jude the Apostle School, our program is open to currently enrolled Pre-K and K students and those who will be enrolled by September, as well as those not currently enrolled. The Summer Program is staffed by teachers from Saint Jude the Apostle School, Day and After School Programs, who are experienced in educational and recreational programs. Program specifics are available on the St. Jude the Apostle website at [www.stjudetheapostleschool.com](http://www.stjudetheapostleschool.com).



# Student Registration Form



Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ PRE-KINDERGARTEN: ☐ Half Day AM ☐ Half Day PM ☐ Full Day – 3 Yr. Old ☐ Full Day – 4 Yr. Old

☐ GRADE K-6: Grade in September \_\_\_\_\_

## STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic (circle one): Y / N

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ School District of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous School: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of First Communion: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Religion: \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Religion: \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## EMERGENCY CONTACT & HEALTH INFORMATION

**Please list three (3) additional contacts, in order of desired contact, to be called if parent/guardian cannot be reached:**

Emergency Contact #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact #3: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Primary Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

## STUDENT SERVICES

Does this student have an IEP? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Does this student have a 504 Plan? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which school district is responsible for preparing it? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide a copy of this plan to the school office.**

## LEGAL ALERT

Who has legal custody of this student? \_\_\_\_\_

Is anyone legally barred from seeing this student? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, who? \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

**Court documentation and physical description must be provided to the school office.**

## FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

☐ Birth Certificate

☐ Immunization Records

☐ Release of Records

☐ Baptismal Certificate

☐ Permission to Publish

☐ Internet Agreement

☐ Transportation Request

☐ Photo Release

☐ Registration Fee

☐ Tuition Agreement

☐ PowerSchool Entry

☐ Permanent Record Card

# Admission & Tuition

We welcome all students here at St Jude the Apostle School regardless of race, religion or color. We are an authentic Catholic Community that believes all children deserve an educational experience centered around the teachings of Jesus Christ. Many students admitted to St Jude the Apostle School receive scholarship awards or financial aid to help off set the cost of tuition. Our School practices rolling admission that allows your child to join our school at any point during the school year. We welcome you to learn more and to schedule a visit today.

## FACTS

We are pleased to offer FACTS tuition service to the families of St. Jude the Apostle School, providing FACTS Tuition Payment plans, and Grant and Financial Aid Needs Assessment on the same platform. Please visit the [FACTS] link on our website for more information.

## Tuition/Registration

St Jude the Apostle School offers an affordable private Catholic educational experience. With some of the lowest tuition cost in the Capital Region and highest academic standards, you will not find better value for the educational needs of your family.

**Tuition:** Please contact the school for current tuition rates.

**Registration:** A non-refundable registration fee is due at time of registration.

## Tuition Assistance

Tuition Assistance for Grades K-6: If you have an existing Tuition Payment Plan through FACTS, please sign in using your existing user name and password.

If you are new to FACTS, an account will be created for you upon registration.

**Payment Plans:** Enrolling in a FACTS tuition payment plan allows you to select a payment option that best suits your financial needs. You may pay by credit card\* or automatic bank draft. Available plans include:

**Monthly Payments:** Spread your tuition payments over monthly installments,

**Semi-Annual Payments:** Pay your tuition in two installments, or

**Payment in Full.**

\*Please note that payments made by credit card are assessed a small additional processing fee.





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