

What does it take to be a Bishop?

We thought you'd never ask! Every applicant is screened by a team of ten staff and faculty members. Each screening is based upon the following criteria.

A. Catholic Secondary School Entrance Exam

We know that a one-time, paper and pencil test does not paint a complete picture of a student. Still, since every student who applies to our school takes the exam, it is the one, measurable, common denomination of academic progress. So, get a good night's sleep before the test and do your best. Your score is important to us and to you.

B. Grades in Middle School

We will look at your grades; especially the most recent ones. It will be your responsibility to have your school send as your 7th & 8th grade transcripts. If they do not meet our standards, we will ask why. We deserve your best and will expect no less.

C. Co-Curricular Participation

Lots of learning takes place outside the classroom. How much have you learned there? Have you played sports? Joined clubs? Run for office? Serviced to your school, activities, or community? The more "yeses" the better!

D. Personal Statement

It has been said that, "One why is worth a thousand hows." So why do you want to be a Bishop? We will ask that question and we will read your answer. What you say matters. How you say it matters, too. So, proof read your work. Write in full sentences. Spell, punctuate, and organize your thoughts well. High expectations are the world's biggest compliment; and we expect a lot from you.

E. Character

We saved the best for last. To be a Bishop, you must be a good student. More than that; you must be a good person. We will ask your teachers how cooperative, respectful, committed, and mature you have been. Their answer will matter; a lot. We will also ask your school to complete a form detailing your disciplinary history. The content of that form will mean a lot, too.