

Facts & Figures

2020-2021

MISSION STATEMENT

Saint James is an independent, nonsectarian, college preparatory school with a student body broadly representative of college-bound students. We are committed to challenging and assisting students in realizing their individual potential and preparing them for lives of responsibility, service, and achievement.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Saint James School, Pre-K3 through 12, offers the highest quality independent school education in Central Alabama. As a Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS) leader, Saint James provides students with a complete education at an extraordinary value. The exceptional array of opportunities and programs provided to Saint James students exceeds the school's peers in the state and in the region.

The table below is a general guide for basic costs associated with the 2020-2021 school year. The tuition total includes:

- Daily Lunch for All Grades (excluding half day Pre-K3 & half day Pre-K4)
- All School Supplies for Elementary Students
- All School Supplies for Middle School Students (does not include calculator, ear buds, or iPad stylus)
- Consumable Books for Pre-K3 through Eighth Grade
- Day Field Trips for All Grades
- Fall School Pictures for All Grades
- Junior & Senior Class Fees
- Most Middle School Textbooks (All textbook requirements are distributed each June.)
- Parent Association (PA) Dues for Each Family
- Student Admission to All Home Sporting Events
- Technology Fees for All Grades
- *Iliad* Yearbook for All Students

Tuition for 2020-2021

All classes - including all preschool classes - are Monday through Friday. Students in half-day preschool, (half-day Pre-K3 & Pre-K4), must be picked up at noon.

Half Day Pre-K3	Pre-K3	Half Day Pre-K4	Pre-K4	K5	1-5	6-8	9-12
(7:45-noon)	(7:45-2:45)	(7:45-noon)	(7:45-2:45)				
\$6,843	\$9,614	\$7,897	\$10,145	\$10,996	\$13,397	\$14,281	\$14,760

A non-refundable registration fee of \$300 per student for returning families is due February 20, 2020. After that date, the annual registration fee for returning students is \$400. For new students, the registration fee of \$400 is due upon submission of a signed enrollment contract. Not included in tuition: Overnight Field Trips; Some Course-Specific Materials, Supplies, and Performance Attire; College Board Advanced Placement Class Test Fees; Extracurricular Activity Fees, Materials, and Equipment; Team and Club Fees.

Admissions Application & Testing Fees

- Pre-K3 through 12th Grade Application Fee (payable to Saint James School): \$50
- Pre-K4 and Kindergarten Testing Fee (payable to the psychologist): \$150
- Second - Twelfth Grade Testing Fee (payable to ISEE): \$125

Tuition Management

- Saint James partners with FACTS Tuition Management to bill and collect tuition and fees. Families choose a payment plan when creating an online FACTS agreement. Only cash payments are accepted at the school.
- One, four, ten, and twelve month payment plans are available through FACTS, with all plans requiring an initial payment in June. FACTS also offers families several tuition payment methods, including monthly automatic bank account deduction, monthly automatic credit card deduction, and payments by mail, phone and on-line. Families receive monthly statements and email reminders prior to their payment due dates.
- Families pay full tuition for their oldest child and receive a 10 percent tuition discount for their younger children. Saint James also offers a 10% full time U.S. military discount. Discounts may not be combined.
- The Saint James School Board of Trustees sets tuition rates annually.

If you have questions regarding this information, please contact the Saint James School Business Office: 334.273.3008 or the Admissions Office: 334.273.2992.

Financial Assistance & Scholarships

Parents seeking need-based financial assistance apply through the School and Student Service for Financial Aid (SSS) program. SSS is a national independent school service that establishes a family's ability to pay for educational expenses based on data confidentially submitted by parents. SSS provides no funds to Saint James or to its financial assistance applicants. All funds to support financial assistance are generated through the Saint James School budget and through contributions to the school. Financial assistance decisions are based on established policies and available funds. To be evaluated for assistance, a student must first complete the admissions process. Financial assistance applications, instructions, and deadlines are available at STJweb.org/financial-assistance. There are also **Odyssey Scholarships** (merit, need-based scholarships) available for new and current students at Saint James School. Please visit STJweb.org/scholarships for complete details.

Tuition Refund Insurance

The Saint James School enrollment contract includes an unconditional obligation to pay tuition for the full academic year unless the student is withdrawn, in writing, **prior to June 1, 2020**. If a student is withdrawn for any reason after this date, tuition for the entire year is immediately due and payable on the date of withdrawal. For this reason, Saint James School offers all families an opportunity to participate in the Tuition Refund Plan with Dewar Insurance. This plan is an insurance policy that reduces the financial impact of withdrawal if the student attends Saint James for at least 14 consecutive calendar days in the school year. A brochure for this plan is provided with the enrollment contract.

Tuition Financing

Parents are increasingly turning to student loans to enable their children to experience the benefits of an outstanding independent school education. Saint James School has partnered with Your Tuition Solution which offers the education loan families have turned to at over 2,400 private K-12 schools nationwide. For more information, call 800-920-9777 or visit YourTuitionSolution.com.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

STJ WonderWorks / After School Program for Pre-K3 - 5th Grade

The 2020-2021 schedule below outlines the available options, the annual cost, and the daily drop-in fees associated with STJ WonderWorks. Payments may be made on an annual or ten-month basis. Daily drop-in fees are due the same day the service is used. In addition to the fees listed in the chart below, a \$150 registration fee is required for each child enrolled in STJ WonderWorks. (An Early Registration Fee is discounted to \$100 for children registered **on or before July 1** and for children of new families to Saint James School.) STJ WonderWorks fees appear on the regular tuition statement.

Option	Time	Yearly Cost	10-Month Plan	Daily Drop-In Fee
I	2:45 - 4:00 p.m.	\$1,200.00	\$120.00	\$10.00
II	2:45 - 5:30 p.m.	\$1,950.00	\$195.00	\$15.00
III	Pre-Paid Drop-In Cards available in the STJ WonderWorks office for 2:45pm-5:30pm after school care.			

9th Period / After School Program for Middle School & High School

For middle school and high school students, Saint James offers a supervised after school program to bridge the gap between carpool pick up and extra curricular activities or for students who are not picked up until 5:30 p.m. each afternoon. Multiple options are available to accommodate activity schedules. Please see STJweb.org for complete details.

Camp STJ

Saint James School offers Camp STJ for rising Pre-K4 through rising sixth grade students during the summer. Attendance on a weekly or drop-in basis is available. Please see STJweb.org for complete details.

TEXTBOOKS

New and/or used textbooks may be purchased through any retailer using the appropriate ISBN. Each grade level is provided a required textbook list with each ISBN indicated or online purchasing instructions for digital textbooks. NOTE: Some textbooks are now included in your child's tuition and are accessed online. This will be denoted on the required textbook list per grade level.

Saint James School admits students of any race, religion, color, gender, creed, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students of the school.