



APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR
St. Maurice School
Grades 7 to 12
2027-2028 School Year

Additional Application Information is required for:

- International Students
- Students with Special Needs

Please visit the school's website (www.stmaurice.mb.ca) or request a copy from the school office.

Each applicant will be required to:

- a) Submit a completed St. Maurice School **Application Form** for each individual student applying.
- b) Submit a non-refundable **Application Fee** of \$125 per individual student applying.
Fee payments may be made in cash to a school office, by cheque made payable to "St. Maurice School", or by e-Transfer to office@stmaurice.mb.ca. If paying by e-Transfer, please include this information in the message box: "Application Fee for {Child's Full Name} for Grade {?}"
- c) Provide a copy of the child's official **Birth Certificate**. If the child was born outside of Canada, a copy of their Permanent Residency in Canada or Canadian Citizenship is required for the student to be considered for admission as a Manitoba resident.
- d) International students (all those who are not already Canadian Citizens or Permanent Residents) must also complete the school's Proof of Status in Canada Form and supply the required supporting documentation. Please be sure to check the box for "International Student" at the top of the Application form. Applications for international students will only be considered for students who are already attending an English program school, and whose fluency in the English language is comparable to a chronological-age peer studying in Manitoba. Please note that some international student VISA situations permit the student to be approved for provincial funding (and thus the Manitoba Resident tuition rates apply), while other VISAs are not eligible for provincial funding, and the parent/guardian is required to pay the International Tuition rate for St. Maurice School. Applicants who are Canadian Citizens or Permanent Residents have priority eligibility for available seats.
- e) Provide a copy of the student's Catholic baptismal certificate – this is *required* if the child is indicated as being Catholic on the application form.
- f) Provide a copy of the student's **most recent Report Card**. If the application is submitted prior to February 15th for a September entry into St. Maurice School, parents are asked to submit an updated report card as this becomes available in the spring from the applicant's current school.
- g) If applying for Grade 11 or 12, a high school transcript showing all high school credits earned to date will also be required at the time of application.
- h) If accepted for Grade 10, 11 or 12, a copy of the student's high school transcript or final report cards showing all high school credits earned to the end of the current school year must be submitted prior to August 15th. Students applying for Grades 10, 11 and 12 will only be conditionally accepted pending the final outcome of their current high school credit courses, to be verified for final acceptance by the complete transcript required by August 31st.
- i) Have a **Sending School Questionnaire (SSQ)** completed and returned to St. Maurice School by the student's current school Principal or delegate. The parent or guardian of the student must sign as indicated near the top of this form to permit the current Principal to release the requested information (as required by FIPPA, the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba)). The parent or guardian of the applicant is responsible for providing this signed form to the Principal of the applicant's current school. The Principal is asked to have this Sending School Questionnaire form completed and faxed directly to St. Maurice School (fax: 204-452-4050), or emailed to the School at office@stmaurice.mb.ca
- j) Write an **Entrance Exam** and attend at a **Personal Interview** for the student with a St. Maurice School Administrator. The entrance exams are for all applicants for Grades 7 to 12 and will cover English Language Arts and Mathematics. Calculators are not permitted. The student will have as long as 3 hours to work on the exam. It is expected that candidates do their best and attempt as many questions as possible within the 3-hour limit. The Entrance Exams and Interviews will be conducted on the afternoon of March 12, 2027.

APPLICATIONS FOR 2027-2028 WILL BE ACCEPTED BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2026

Please note that there is no first-come first-served prioritizing; all **complete** applications received by the priority deadline will be considered in one pool of new applicants for each grade level.

Your son or daughter's application will only be processed and considered once the application fee and ALL of the required documentation have been received by St. Maurice School.

**Join us for our *PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE* for GRADES 1 TO 12
ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 14th, 2027 AT 6:30 PM**

Location: St. Maurice School main campus Gymnasium.

Enter using the blue doors from our parking lot which is accessed from Manahan Avenue.

THE PRIORITY DEADLINE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS IS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26th, 2027

It is strongly recommended that the school office receive your complete application on or before the priority deadline above - some grade levels and high school option courses will become full with the initial intake.

Applications submitted after the priority deadline will need to be placed on a waiting list.

- **Applicants currently registered in a home-schooling program** will be required to supply additional information and documentation regarding the curriculum/program followed, assessments conducted and outcomes attained.
- **Applications for International Students:** Such applications require additional documentation and are subject to various conditions outlined in the Proof of Status in Canada Form, available from the St. Maurice School website. Note: Applicants who are already Canadian Citizens or Permanent Residents have priority eligibility for available seats.
- **Applications for Students with Special Needs (Level II or Level III exceptionalities):** Please obtain the Application Information Sheets for Students with Level II or Level III Disabilities. Such applications require additional documentation and must be submitted on or before the last school day of February 2027 for consideration for the 2027-2028 school year.
- **Acceptance Deposit, required to be paid soon after the school offers a placement for your child:** The Acceptance Deposit payment is required to confirm the offer of a placement at St. Maurice School. This amount, equivalent to approximately 10% of the annual tuition for the student, is payable in cash, by cheque to *St. Maurice School*, by e-Transfer, or by debit/credit card. This Acceptance Deposit payment is *not refundable*. If payment is not received, the student will forfeit his/her spot, and it will be offered to the next candidate on the waiting list for that grade level. The remaining balance of the tuition for the school year will be divided into 9 equal monthly payments (September to May), with the first payment due in September and paid to us according to the payment plan option you will select for your family.
- **Applicants for Grades 10, 11 and 12** will only be conditionally accepted pending the final outcome of their current high school credit courses. If conditionally accepted, a copy of the student's high school transcript or final report card showing all high school credits earned to the end of the current school year must be submitted to St. Maurice School prior to August 31st.

ADMISSION POLICY, Grades 7 to 12

Application Information and Assessment of the Criteria for Admissibility, Grades 7 to 12

St. Maurice School's acceptance process sets out to match the needs of individual applicants with the educational setting and Catholic atmosphere of St. Maurice School.

Information regarding each applicant for Grades 7-12 is obtained through a process which includes the review of:

- the applicant's Entrance Examination
- a Personal Interview with the student applicant
- the Sending School Questionnaire (SSQ)
- the most recent Report Card, and High School Transcript if applying for Grade 10, 11, or 12.

Criteria for Admissibility, Grades 7-12

The information collected is used to determine if:

- all special staffing, programs, equipment, and/or physical facilities required by the student are available,
- the academic program offered by the school would provide an educational environment beneficial to the student's learning potential,
- the student's moral behaviour is in keeping with the practice of the Catholic Faith at St. Maurice School, and
- the student's behaviour and attitude are in keeping with the standards of St. Maurice School.

Selection of Applicants for Admission

As St. Maurice is a Catholic School which exists to serve and assist Catholic families in the education and formation of their child/ren, priority will be given to Catholic applicants. Provided the criteria for admissibility are met, priority consideration for an available space will be given to a student applicant who has submitted a copy of their Catholic baptismal certificate with their application.

The selection of applicants is developed from a review and overall consideration of the data gathered per the interview, entrance exam, recent report card and Sending School Questionnaire (SSQ), as applicable to the grade level.

There are factors which negatively affect consideration:

- any tuition arrears/outstanding balances for the family's other current/former students
- past or current interactions with the applicant's parent(s) which pose concerns that the working relationship between the home and school will not be conducive to an education and programming which is truly in the child's best interests

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ST. MAURICE SCHOOL, GRADES 7-12

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

All students attending St. Maurice School are required to respectfully take part in Religious Education and faith development activities. Catholic religion courses, attendance at Mass and participation in events such as religious retreats and other faith formation activities are an integral and compulsory part of the program. Non-Catholic students are called to develop an understanding of the Catholic Faith, while being encouraged to maintain and grow in their faith development according to their own religious tradition.

ACADEMICS

All students attending St. Maurice School must be enrolled as full time students. The high school program at St. Maurice requires that students are registered for a minimum number of credits at each level: (Grade 9 - 8 credits, Grade 10 - 8, Grade 11 - 7, Grade 12 - 6.5). This credit course schedule includes all compulsory courses required for high school graduation in Manitoba under the Senior Years English Program. St. Maurice School offers courses over the full school year, and not on a semester system. St. Maurice offers a variety of option courses in Grades 8 through 12. Please refer to the current Grade 8 Course Descriptions Sheet, or the Grade 9, 10, 11 or 12 Course Descriptions Booklets, which are posted on the school website.

Homework: All learning does not take place in the classroom. It is expected that each student spends time on homework and study on a daily basis. Homework such as class assignments, projects and reviewing should take precedence over other activities. The typical guideline times for daily after schoolwork are:

Grades 7 & 8: 1-1½ hours; Grades 9 & 10: 1½-2 hours; Grades 11 & 12: 2-3 hours.

Examinations: Grade 9 to 12 students write 3-hour examinations in January and June for most courses and may earn exemptions from the June exams. Students are required to write provincial examinations and/or standards tests as prescribed by Manitoba Education.

Reporting periods: The Grade 7-12 school year is divided into 4 main reporting periods, with Progress Report Cards issued in November, February and April, and the Final report Card issued at the end of June. Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled upon request after the November and February reporting periods.

ATTENDANCE

Regular and punctual attendance for all classes is required for a student to be successful in his/her academic endeavours. Parents are asked to contact the school or send notification through the school website attendance tab if a student is going to be late or absent. Siblings should not be reporting student absence to office staff. Parents will be contacted by the school in the event of an unexplained absence. Attendance is taken by each teacher for each class. Parents who allow their children to be absent for such reasons as athletic events, employment or vacations must not expect teachers to provide make-up work, special assistance or extensions for missed work. Teachers will make accommodations for serious illness, etc.

STUDY PERIODS / SPARES

Grade 11 and 12 students have the privilege of an open campus spare when they are not scheduled for a class or study period. Students who choose to stay in the school during a spare must remain in uniform and be in a designated area. Grades 11 and 12 students are expected to attend all School Masses, Grade Masses and all special school events (e.g. guest speakers, high school assemblies, etc.), even if they have a spare scheduled to occur during such events.

SCHOOL HOURS

No general supervision is provided before 8:00 a.m. or after 4:00 p.m. except where students are participating in an approved extracurricular activity or supervised study hall. St. Maurice School operates on a 6-day cycle, with the school day divided into 45-minute periods for Grades 7-12:

<i>Grade 7&8 Students</i>		<i>Grades 9 to 12 Students</i>	
9:00-12:20	four morning classes	9:00-11:30	three morning classes
12:25-1:10	lunch period	11:35-12:20	lunch period
1:15-3:40	three afternoon classes	12:25-3:40	four afternoon classes
4:00 pm	school closes, except for students involved in supervised extra-curricular activities	4:00 pm	school closes, except for students involved in supervised extra-curricular activities

There is a before and after school supervised study hall for Grade 7&8 students, which is ordinarily available daily from 7:30 to 8:30 am, and from 3:45 to 5:00 pm, each session for nominal fee. Parents and students are expected to make transportation arrangements such that students are not waiting outdoors after the end of their school day or extracurricular activity. A high school study hall space is available daily from 7:30 to 8:30 am and from 3:45 to 5:00 pm.

LUNCH

Students in Grades 7 to 12 have access to a full-service cafeteria during their lunch period. A variety of hot and cold menu items are available for sale daily.

Grades 7 and 8: Students in Grades 7 and 8 must stay on the school property between the hours of 8:45 am and 3:40 pm. Grade 7&8 students may leave the school grounds to go out for lunch only if a signed and dated note from the parents or guardians is provided to the homeroom teacher before Period 1 that day. Grade 7&8 students have a supervised outdoor recess at the end of the lunch period. Students are to come prepared to be dressed for outdoor recess on all school days. Indoor recesses will only be held if it is raining significantly or if the Environment Canada temperature or wind chill at The Forks is -27 °C or colder.

Grades 9 to 12: Students are permitted to leave the school grounds over the lunch period but must return on time for their afternoon classes.

UNIFORMS

Please visit the school website at www.stmaurice.mb.ca to review the "Uniform Requirements" information sheet. Note that students new to St. Maurice may only place their order from our uniform supplier after receiving their official letter of acceptance.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

St. Maurice School offers a number of extracurricular activities throughout the school year (subject to staff availability, student interest and financial constraints). Students who sign up to participate in any school activity must be prepared to make a dedicated commitment of their time, talent and energy in order to make each project a success. Recent school years have offered a variety of school Sports opportunities (e.g. cross-country running, volleyball, basketball, indoor track, badminton, soccer, outdoor track), Debating and Public Speaking, the Drama/Musical Production, Student Council, Social Justice Committee, Downhill Ski Trip, Travel Groups, Yearbook, Math and Science Contests, and Retreat programs.

LOCKERS

Lockers are assigned at the beginning of the school year. Students are required to provide their own lock(s) and must advise their homeroom teacher of the combination or provide their homeroom teacher with the second key. All lockers are the property of the school and are subject to inspection by the school administration at any time.

TEXTBOOK CAUTION FEE

In the first year a student registers at St. Maurice School, the Textbook Caution Fee (damage deposit) is \$200.00. Students/Parents are responsible for paying for any lost, missing or damaged books, such that the deposit remains \$200.00 at the beginning of each school year thereafter. If all schoolbooks are returned by the June deadline with little or no damage, the \$200.00 amount is refunded to the parent upon the student's graduation or non-return to St. Maurice School for the following school year. Lost or damaged textbooks or School Library books must be paid for by the student to whom they were assigned.

THE ST. MAURICE SCHOOL PROGRAMS ENRICHMENT FUND (PEF)

The collection for the St. Maurice School Programs Enrichment Fund has replaced the major fundraising drives formerly required of all families and will ensure that all families contribute equally towards the betterment of the programs at the school for all children in attendance. The PEF is a set amount, \$50, for all students attending St. Maurice, K-12, divided for collection over the nine months of the tuition payments schedule. This fund will be used to provide "enrichment" to such programs as religious activities and retreats, library, physical education, guest speakers and performances, subsidies for field trips, special events, classroom libraries, and to establish a reserve fund that can be used towards larger expenses that support existing school programs or create new programs.

Please note that organizations and groups within the school (Parent Guild, Student Council, Social Justice Committee, Graduation Committee, etc.) will still offer some small-scale fundraisers throughout the year in support of their causes and charities. However, students/parents/guardians will be under no obligation to purchase or sell the products offered. These small-scale fundraisers will thus continue to provide a convenience and a service to parents who would like to purchase the items offered for sale, (which can vary year to year), while also providing an opportunity for student groups to learn organizational and leadership skills. St. Maurice Daycare and the Before & After School Program operate fundraisers independently from St. Maurice School.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR ST. MAURICE SCHOOL

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