



## Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School

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*A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence for PreK-8th Grade, SACS accredited*

# APPLICATION CHECKLIST

To apply for admission to Our Lady of Mercy School, please submit the following items in one packet:

Completed Application form – we have one form for Grades K-8 and a separate form for Pre-K.

\$75 non-refundable application fee payable to Our Lady of Mercy School. Applications will NOT be processed without an application fee.

A copy of the applicant's Birth Certificate

A copy of the applicant's most recent school report card and/or testing scores (1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders)

A copy of current immunization records

A copy of the applicant's Baptismal Certificate (for Catholic applicants only)

Copies of any psychological evaluations or outside testing reports as applicable

Signed Transcript request form (if coming from another school)

ABC Screening Form and \$75 fee

All students applying for grades K-8 are required to take an ABC Screening. **Please make the check payable to ABC Educational Services.**

Once an admission application packet has been submitted,

- We will be in contact with you to set up admission screenings, which will be arranged through ABC Educational Services. Screenings take place at Triad schools several times a year.
- The Principal will review applications. Consideration for admission is based upon standardized test scores, ABC Screening, and grades from transcripts. Students will be accepted in the school according to the following priorities:
  1. Students currently attending Our Lady of Mercy.
  2. Siblings of students currently attending Our Lady of Mercy.
  3. Students of Staff currently at Our Lady of Mercy.
  4. Siblings of students that previously attended Our Lady of Mercy.
  5. Members of a parish that do not have a school, but the student has applied to Our Lady of Mercy.
  6. Children of non-participating parishioners and non-Catholics.In all cases involving Catholic students, their pastor must certify that they are parishioners in good standing.
- You will be notified by mail of your child's acceptance once all application information and screening reports have been reviewed and approved.

### With notification of acceptance:

- A non-refundable \$100.00 acceptance fee is due for grades Pre-K-8. An additional \$150 Curriculum & activities fee is due for all Pre-K students. Until this fee is received a student is not officially entered on the roster for the incoming school year.
- You will receive a complete registration packet that includes all necessary forms to complete enrollment. We must have these forms by the dates they are due and MUST have emergency contact information entered in SchoolSpeak (official school communication portal) no later than the first day of school.

### Tuition Assistance for New Families

- The NC Opportunity Scholarship Program expands school choice in North Carolina through scholarship grants for eligible children in Kindergarten through 12th grade. This program provides funding of up to \$4,200 per year for eligible children who choose to attend a participating nonpublic school.
- To apply for the NC Opportunity Scholarship and to find out more information, visit: <http://www.ncseaa.edu>.
- An eligible student must meet all Part 1 requirements:
  - Is 5 yrs old on or before August 31
  - Lives in an eligible household
  - Has not graduated from high school
  - Is a resident of NC
- An eligible student must meet at least 1 part 2 requirement:
  - Received an Opportunity Scholarship last year
  - Was a full-time student attending a NC public school last spring semester
  - Is entering Kindergarten or 1<sup>st</sup> grade
  - Is in foster care
  - Was adopted within the last year
- Applications will begin to be accepted February 1<sup>st</sup>. All eligible applicants who apply after March 1<sup>st</sup> are placed on a waiting list because current funding is exhausted. An applicant`s position on the waiting list is determined as follows: applicants who applied prior to March 1 are placed on the list based on their lottery number. Applicants who apply after March 1 are placed on the waiting list in the order their applications are received.