



WHY DIVINE WISDOM?

JOIN US!
2024/2025
SCHOOL YEAR



EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

OUTSTANDING ACADEMICS:

- We excel in academics and holistic student development
- Our curriculum exceeds Next Generation Standards
- Focusing on STEM, Music, Art, Health & Wellness, and Spanish Enrichment Education
- K-2 students are assigned iPads, and grades 3-8 receive Chromebooks. They work on personalized paths and assessments on I Ready
- This setup allows flexibility for remote learning. Each student receives their own device, enabling personalized assignments and boosting student's tech skills.

ACCREDITATION:

Fully accredited by The Cognia Global Council

AWARDS:

A+ rating from Niche for being one of the Best Private Schools

COMMUNITY IMPACT:

Member of the Loukoumi Foundation's International Good Deeds Council

Pope Francis Society

Student Government Council



ACADEMY LEADERSHIP & STRUCTURE

Leadership Team

Principal: Miriam Bonici

Early Childhood Associate Principal: Sylvia Roccia

Middle School Associate Principal: Linda Keppel

Enrichment Education Leaders in the following subjects:

Art, Health & Wellness, Music, Physical Ed, Spanish, STEM, Technology

Early Childhood Programs

Free Full day PreK & 3K for all, Kindergarten

Elementary- Grades 1-3

Middle School- Grades 4-6

Junior High School- Grades 7-8

TWO-TIER GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

Members: Monitor Catholic Identity and Ratify Board Appointments

Rev. Mgsr. David Cassato, Vicar for Catholic Schools

Rev. Fr. David Deittmer, Pastor, St. Anastasia Parish, Douglaston

Rev. Fr. Gabrielle Lee, Pastor- St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, Bayside

Rev. Fr. Andrew Kim, Pastor, St. Paul Chong-Ha-Sang Parish, Flushing

Deacon Kevin McCormack- Superintendent of Schools, DBQ

Joan McMasters- Deputy Superintendent of Schools, DBQ

Board of Trustees: Oversees Academy Leadership Team

Robert Shirling-Chairperson

Sherise Elmore

Peter Ermish- Vice Chairperson

Carolyn Meenan

Patricia Zacccone-Treasurer

James Peveraro

Kathleen Furlong-Secretary

Suzanne Karl

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S COMMITTEES

- **Executive & Nominating - Robert Schirling**
- **Facilities - Peter Ermish**
- **Finance & Tuition Assistance - Patricia Zaccone**
- **Development & Fundraising - Kathleen Furlong**
- **Security - Sherise Elmore**
- **Community Outreach - Carolyn Meenan**
- **Risk Management - James Peveraro**
- **Marketing - Suzanne Karl**

ACADEMY FAMILY ASSOCIATION

MISSION:

To further the Academy's mission by celebrating our rich diversity. Welcoming new members and growing academy spirit and enrollment.

AFA Committees:

- Welcoming
- Class Captains
- Spiritwear
- Cultural Diversity
- Community Outreach



AFTERSCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLUBS

- **All That Jazz**
- **Anime Club**
- **Paul Effman Band & Strings**
- **Brix4Kids**
- **Chess Nuts**
- **Crochet Class**
- **Drama Club**
- **Financial Club**
- **Math Olympiads**
- **Speech & Debate Clubs**
- **Tiger Tennis Academy**

ACADEMY FACILITY UPGRADES

Since 2009, the Academy has invested OVER \$4.5 million in Facilities and Technology Infrastructure

THESE PROJECTS ARE FUNDED EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH GRANTS and DONATIONS

Projects Completed:

- Building addition housing:
 - ~STEM Lab, Music Conservatory, and Early Childhood Classroom
- Art Studio
- Technology Classroom
- Bathroom Upgrades
- New HVAC & Air Purification Systems
- Security Recording Devices and Security Cameras
- New Fencing to Secure Perimeter and Entrance
- Peaceful Playground
- Efficient Lighting Installation
- New Classroom Flooring
- Fire and Security Alarm Systems
- Gym



SAFE & SECURE ENVIRONMENT

- **Full Time Security Guard**
- **Full Time Registered Nurse**
- **50+ Cameras monitor and record all hallways, external doorways, and school grounds**
- **Panic and Fire Alarms connected to the local police & fire departments**
- **Mandated Active Shooter Training for staff**
- **Go Guardian Software monitors student online classroom activity**

OUR COMMUNITY

Faith-Based Education:

Supported by St. Anastasia Church, our academy offers a faith-based education that is guided by the Parish Pastor and Religious Educators. We provide preparation for Sacraments with the assistance of both Parish and Academy staff.

CYO Sports:

Students have the chance to join any Parish-sponsored team in CYO Sports, promoting teamwork, sportsmanship, and physical fitness.

Loukoumi Foundation:

We are honored to be the proud recipient of the 2023 Make a Difference Award from the Loukoumi Foundation. As a member of the Loukoumi Foundation Global Council of Schools, we are excited to be one of the ten schools selected nationally to join this esteemed Foundation. This recognition highlights our dedication to making a positive impact in our community.

Pope Francis Society:

Inspiring school members to bring students and families together to promote kindness and show we can make a difference in helping and serving others.

Student Life at our academy is enriched with various opportunities for personal growth, community involvement, and faith-based education.