

# ADMISSIONS



COLLEGE SCHOOL



# Imagine

a school that educates, inspires and empowers the girls of today to become the next generation of confident female leaders of character.



# message from the head of school



Welcome to Holy Name of Mary College School. I am excited to showcase a school distinguished by excellence that invigorates the student experience and celebrates the uniqueness of each individual while inspiring confidence, creative thinking and spiritual growth.

Our curriculum is tailored for girls, who are given every opportunity to develop and stand out. It is through an enriched learning landscape that we foster a culture of exploration and intellectual risk-taking that empowers, challenges and supports leadership to further personal growth. We place emphasis on cultivating young women leaders and role models who will excel in university and ultimately go on to assume leadership positions in their future careers.

Our school culture is filled with a vibrant sacramental life that not only shapes the minds of girls, but also touches their hearts and prepares them to meet the challenges of a constantly changing global future with a good moral compass.

Our enthusiasm to be the best is driven by a student-centric focus on teaching and learning. A key motivation is surrounding

bright, curious girls with caring, and inspiring teachers who believe and inspire a passion for learning. It is through these relationships that girls are encouraged to challenge themselves, seize opportunities and optimize their learning potential to shape their individual blueprint for success.

Our achievements are built upon the strength of our community and we value the relationships we develop with our students and our families. It is through a shared commitment between students, teachers and parents that our school has become a special place to be, learn and thrive.

I invite you to take a closer look at the distinctiveness of our learning community where girls take centre stage and are inspired to reach for the stars.

Warmest regards,

Marilena Tesoro, Head of School



# What we do

At HNMCS we have a culture of achievement that develops the individual capacity of every girl. Our curriculum is tailored for girls who are given every opportunity to develop and excel in the way they learn best. It is no wonder that research reveals that graduates from all-girls schools achieve greater academic success, have more self-confidence and develop stronger leadership skills.

A unique compilation of academic excellence, athletics, the arts, outdoor initiatives, and co-curricular activities provide countless opportunities for leadership and enriching experiences for girls to develop their voices as leaders.

We treasure our affiliation with St. Michael's College School that balances the benefits of single gender education with co-ed activities such as theatre arts, symposiums, co-curricular activities, social justice initiatives, field trips and social events.

## Key Features:

- University preparatory
- Academic excellence
- Curriculum tailored to girls learning
- Catholic values mirrored in teachers & students
- Teachers are inspiring
- Girls are centre-stage
- All leadership positions filled by girls
- Embraces a global perspective
- Compassionate Service & Community Outreach

# Who we are

Holy Name of Mary College School is an independent, Catholic school for girls in grades 5 – 12. It is guided by its mission to educate young women to their full potential in a dynamic learning environment that empowers confidence and encourages leadership.

Founded by the Felician Sisters in 1964, Holy Name of Mary quickly established a reputation for academic excellence and commitment to social action and service. In September 2008, Holy Name of Mary reopened as Holy Name of Mary College School (HNMCS), an independent, Catholic school for girls, supported by St. Michael's College School of Toronto.

Holy Name of Mary College School continues to focus on academic excellence, building on the traditions established by the Felician Sisters and is today a vibrant learning community that strives to provide girls with rich learning opportunities and varied co-curricular activities to stimulate interests and broaden horizons. It boasts an exemplary university preparation curriculum fostering high academic standards for teaching and learning.



# Why Choose HNMCS?

Choose HNMCS to ensure your daughter reaches her full potential in a faith filled, positive and compassionate environment.

Choose HNMCS to immerse your daughter in an environment where lifelong friends are made quickly, and where strong values form the foundation of all that we offer.

Choose HNMCS to allow your daughter to develop her own academic and co-curricular interests with the guidance of caring staff and supportive classmates.

Choose HNMCS for a balanced learning environment that prepares your daughter for success in the university program of her choice.

Choose HNMCS to ensure that your daughter is ready to inspire the world.

## Graduate Profile

100% university acceptance

University Destinations:

Canada, USA, UK



## Girls' Learning

- Girls' schools create opportunities for appropriate, educational risk-taking.
- The curriculum promotes mass-media literacy, encouraging identity and self awareness in the 21st century.
- Girls' schools teach collaborative as well as healthy competitive skills.
- A girls' school environment reinforces a 'can-do' philosophy.
- In a girl's school, learning takes centre-stage.
- Girls' schools promote excellence in math, science and technology.
- Girls' schools promote athletic participation to encourage both leadership and team play.
- Teaching strategies maximize girls' verbal/writing critical literacy.
- The girls' school culture offers strong female role models.
- The curriculum emphasizes life skills such as financial literacy, digital citizenship, leadership and service to community.



# Admissions Information and Requirements

Holy Name of Mary College School welcomes applications from candidates eager to be a part of the school's enriched academic environment.

## School Policies

**Academic:** When a candidate and her parents/guardians choose HNMCS, it is regarded as an expression of trust in the school's educational philosophy and its programme of studies. A student commits herself to completing each year of the programme in accordance with the academic policies of the school. If for enrichment a student wishes to take a course outside of the school, it must be approved by the Head of School.

**Religious:** As a Catholic school, HNMCS gives preference to Catholic candidates. Some members of our student body are non-Catholic students who are baptized Christians and who are practicing members of their faith communities.

It is our expectation that all students will successfully complete one religion course each year, will participate in the religious life of the school, and will be an active participant in their faith.

These policies are necessary in order to preserve the Catholic character of Holy Name of Mary College School and to ensure that the student will give herself as fully as possible to all its aspects – curricular and co-curricular. These policies are design to enable a student to acquire a well-rounded liberal arts education and to prepare her for the demands of university studies.

## Admission Criteria

All applications received are evaluated based on criteria listed below and successful candidates are offered a place at HNMCS.

1. Academic standing as demonstrated by a candidate's report cards

2. Information from the Application form
3. Information from the Confidential Student Profile
4. Results from our in-house admissions test or their SSAT results
5. Faith life of candidates and her family

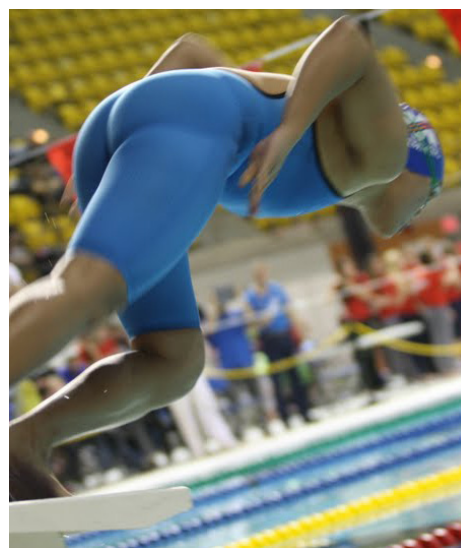
Application must be submitted by December 8th to ensure a mid-February notification. Applications received after this date will be reviewed and notification will be done following the March Break. In some cases, a personal interview will be conducted at the sole discretion of the school.


## Application Guidelines

- Complete all sections of the application form.
- Attach a recent student photo.
- Provide academic documents; copies of applicant's final report card from the previous two years and the most recent report card for the current year and, if applicable, a current Ontario Student Transcript copy.
- Ensure that the Confidential Student Profile is sent directly from the applicant's present principal, guidance counsellor or teacher to HNMCS.
- Include a non-refundable application fee of \$125 made payable to Holy Name of Mary College School for Canadian residents and \$250 for international students.
- For non-native English speakers applying for grades 9 - 11, provide IELTS or Vericent test report.

While Holy Name of Mary College School is an independent school, the tuition is not intended to exclude students on a financial basis. An income-based bursary program is available for those in need and we encourage families to seek financial assistance when it is required. Families apply for bursaries during the application process to Holy Name of Mary College School.

Applications for financial aid must be submitted by December 31st. For more information or assistance, please contact the Office of Admissions.



A young woman with curly hair, wearing a school uniform, smiling warmly at the camera. The background is a blurred classroom setting.

Come & experience the transformative power of an all-girls education at **HNMC**S in a distinctly Catholic school community.



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