Philosophy

St. Mark's Episcopal Academy is dedicated to providing a quality education for all students. We believe that students learn best when they are engaged and stimulated. We are committed to a model of continuous improvement and creating an environment conducive to meaningful learning and achievement.

Mission Statement

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At St. Mark's Episcopal Academy, we strive to instill integrity, confidence, and competence in all students while fostering curiosity, creativity and reflective thinking.

Vision

The Academy will recognize the profound obligation of parents and educators to provide our next generation with a scholarly foundation. To that end, the school will focus on the tools and skills that all students will need to create for themselves a sound, productive, and fulfilling life. Students will learn in a safe and caring atmosphere with clear expectations of behavior, which emphasize respect, responsibility, and caring for others. The Academy will recognize the values of tolerance and diversity in its own community life. The spiritual life of the Academy will be centered in the chapel. The Academy will provide an educational program that will encourage

students to love and serve God and others. It will prepare students for higher education by means of an academically challenging and creative learning environment. Above all, it will seek to develop within each student a love for life-long learning, a strong sense of self-worth, respect for God's creation, and the dignity of every human being.



WHAT OUR PARENTS SAY ABOUT ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL ACADEMY...

"Enrichment at its finest, staff that is amazing and really take the time to listen and I'm honored and proud to be a part of this school." – Review from A.S., parent via Facebook

"St Mark's is an excellent school. Their focus is on the overall development of each student, not just academic performance. While the standards are high, the class sizes are small allowing the teachers to move each child at their own developmental pace.



They still have recess and gym every day! Their music and STEAM programs are outstanding!" - Parent Review via greatschools.org



"Well qualified and caring teachers make this school a must if you are looking for challenging academics within a caring, Christian environment. The school is small which means that it has a real family feel to it. The Head of School knows everyone! Academic results are really impressive." – Parent Review via greatschools.org

"We are new to the area and immediately upon touring SMEA we knew it was a great fit for our son. We love the small classroom family feel, the kiddos have PE every day. Great caring staff." – Review from A.M., parent via Facebook



"Great small Christian school that offers starting at K3 not only the 4 core classes, but many related arts including, music, art, PE (EVERY DAY), library, and the STEAM lab (science lab)! They also offer extracurricular activities such as sports, the glee club, and many more! Small class sizes give children extra attention needed to excel!" – Review from C.K., parent via Facebook

"Great school, lots of individualized attention to students. Wonderful teachers and staff." - Review from A.B., parent via Facebook

The Reverend "Mother" Sara Oxley



MEET OUR FACULTY

Head of School Mr. Justin Smith

B.S. Education M.S. Educational Leadership Nova Southeastern 40 Years Experience

CLASSROOM TEACHERS



Pre-K3 Teacher Ms. Danielle Pike B.S. Elementary Education University of Central Florida ESOL Endorsed FDOE Professional Educator's Certificate Eligible 25 Years Experience



Kindergarten Teacher Mrs. Laura Maharaj B.S. Education, Early Childhood Development & Family Studies University of the West Indies FDOE Professional Educator's Certificate Eligible 11 Years Experience

Pre-K4 &



Ist Grade Teacher Mrs. Alison Olivieri B.S. Elementary & Primary

Education, University of Central Florida M.Ed Educational Leadership FDOE Professional Educator's Certificate Gifted Endorsed 25 Years Experience 25 years at SMEA



2nd Grade Teacher Ms. Nichole Franks B.A ???, University of ??? with a ?? Certificate from ??? ?? Years Experience



3rd & 4th Grade Teacher

Ms. Jill Noel B.A. Elementary Education, Art Education K-12, Physical Education K-12 University of Central Florida, Eastern Florida State College 30 Years Experience



5th & 6th Grade Teacher

Mrs. Daune Ellis B.S. Elementary Education University of Central Florida ESOL Endorsed Reading Endorsed FDOE Professional Educator's Certificate 10 Years Experience



6th Grade Teacher Mrs. Suzanne Lacy B.A. Special Education, University of Florida M. Ed, Learning Disabilities, University of Texas FDOE Professional Educator's Certificate

25 Years Experience



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ENRICHMENT TEACHERS



Physical Education Ms. Christy Petsovic B.S. Sports and Exercise Science University of Northern Colorado 17 Years Experience



STEAM Teacher

Mrs. Karis James B.S. Education with a minor in Psychology, Pensacola Christian College FDOE Professional

Educator's Certificate 20 Years Experience



Music Mr. Edward Kingfield B.A. ?? University ?? ??Years Experience

TA'S & CHILDREN'S CENTER



Teacher's Assistant Ms. Kelly Sommerville Bachelor's in Business LeMoyne College 5 Years Experience



Teacher's Assistant Ms. Tammy Glenn

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF



Administrator Debbie Parsons



Front Desk Clerk Joe Lacy



Marketing Manager Rachel Maitlitz



Facilities Manager Jay Forget



ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

Splash into Pre-K/Pocket Full of Pre-K - Pre-Kindergarten Wonders - Language Arts - K-6 Big Ideas Math - Math K-6 FOSS (Full Option Science System) - Science K-6 McGraw-Hill - Social Studies K-6 Quaver's Marvelous World of Music - Music K-6 Physical Education /Health **STEAM/Marine Biology**





Special Events

Advent in Song All Saint's Day **Blessing of the Animals** Class Chapel Performances Valentine's Day Dance **Community Service Crossover Graduation** Grandparent's Day

Holiday Gift Shop May Day **Field Day** Veteran's Day 100th Day Celebration **Spooky Science**







FIELD TRIPS

Brevard Symphony Brevard Zoo Eco Safari Indian River Lagoon King Center for the Performing Arts Merritt Island Wildlife Refugee

Orlando Science Center Sea World St. Augustine Tallahassee **Titusville Playhouse** Various Local Museums *Destinations Change Annually



Does my child's school have...

- 🚿 Waterfront Campus
- 🕉 10:1 Student-Teacher Ratio
- 🗹 1:1 Technology
- 🗹 Daily P.E. and Recess
- 🚿 STEAM Lab/ Marine Sciences
- 🚿 Outdoor Education
- 🚿 Music & Art
- Inclusive Community,Welcoming to All Faiths
- Degreed, Certified, and Gifted-Endorsed Faculty







St. Mark's Episcopal Academy checks all the boxes. Schedule a tour today.

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