



Thursday, February 17, 2022

Hello from the Prep!

A few updates as we make our way through February:

1) The 6th & 7th Grade Test Prep Program starts next week! Designed to prepare 6th & 7th grade boys and girls for college preparatory entrance exams, the program begins on Saturday, February 26 and runs each Saturday from 8-10:30 a.m. through April 16 (Please note: Once you register for this program, your child is AUTOMATICALLY registered for the Entrance Exam Practice Test on Saturday, April 23). You can learn more about the test program and register by clicking [HERE](#).

2) Shadow days for current 7th graders are filling up fast. Click [HERE](#) to register for a HAWKLIFE visit day.

3) The Office of Admission is now on Instagram! Follow [@SJPrep\\_Admissions](#) for updates on all admissions programming and for insights on the Prep experience.

In the meantime, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to the Office of Admission at [admissions@sjprep.org](mailto:admissions@sjprep.org) or 215-978-1958. The entire Prep Admissions Staff (listed below) is here to help.

Sincerely,

Howie Brown '99, Director of Admission

Brian McCloskey '91 P '21, Director of Financial Aid

Lorrie McKenna P '05, Admissions Counselor

Mike Scannapieco '09, Admissions Counselor

Taron Hampton '17, Alumni Service Corps Member 2021-2022

### **6TH & 7TH GRADE TEST PREP PROGRAM**

This program prepares 6th & 7th grade students (boys & girls) to begin taking high school entrance tests at Philadelphia-area Catholic and private schools. Modeled on the Test Prep Program for 8th graders in the Fall, this program is specifically designed to support primary school curriculum work, to broaden content in Math and English, and to use Latin and Greek for reading comprehension and critical analysis.

The Spring 2022 session starts on February 26 and runs each Saturday from 8-10:30 a.m., through April 16. What happens if your child has to miss a week (or two) of the program? No problem! While we can't prorate the program, the Director of the Test Prep Program will work with you on anything missed. In addition, pre-recorded lessons of all sessions will be available to every student in the Test Prep Program in case of an absence, and also to be used to review key concepts after each session. The program costs \$350 and includes an HSPT Workbook, a blank copybook to use, access to pre-recorded lessons, and a reserved seat for the Practice Test .

Click [HERE](#) to register for the 6th & 7th Grade Test Prep Program (Spring 2022).

### **7TH GRADE SHADOW VISITS**

The 7th Grade HAWKLIFE Shadow Visit is designed to give interested 7th graders the opportunity to experience a FULL day at the Prep firsthand by shadowing a current freshman. The Shadow Day gives prospective students a jump-start on the high school decision process. Lunch is provided and Parent tours are available each morning.

Click [HERE](#) to register for a 7th grade visit day.

### **6TH & 7TH GRADE PRACTICE TEST**

Sixth and seventh grade boys and girls may take a Practice Test on Saturday, April 23 from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The test administered is the H.S.P.T. (High School Placement Test) and the conditions will be the same as we offer in 8th Grade. Students who score in the top percentiles on the entrance exam practice test will be eligible for a scholarship to our Pre-7th & Pre-8th Summer

Program.

Click [HERE](#) to register for the Entrance Exam Practice Test.

### **PREP U SUMMER PROGRAM**

Each day, Pre-7th and Pre-8th grade boys and girls will have 3 core classes during the morning session followed by a daily speakers series, lunch, and ending the day with a rotating activities period (combo of clubs offered at the Prep from film discussion and strategy gaming to intramural sports like basketball, football, dodgeball, kickball, etc.). Get a high school experience and great exposure to St. Joseph's Prep, its teachers and unique academic experience -- all while gaining close-knit friendships and Philly experience that makes the Prep so special. Also, experience daily guest speakers and weekly theme days!

July 5-22 | 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

~~\$800~~ \$599 Early Bird Special! (ends on March 21 at midnight)

Can't participate all 3 weeks this summer? No problem! Click [HERE](#) for more information on the Prep U Summer Program. You can also click [HERE](#) to go directly to the registration form.

### **NEWS AND EVENTS**

*Black History Month at the Prep* - [Click here for more details](#)

*Indoor Track Meet of Champs* - 2/19

*Wrestling PCL Individual Tournament* - 2/19

*Swimming PCLs and District Championship* - 2/25-2/26

*Wrestling District 12 Tournament* - 2/25-2/26

*Squash U.S. High School Team Championships* - 2/25-2/27

*Alumni/Father-Son Communion Breakfast* - 2/27 - [Click here for more details](#)

*Indoor Track State Meet* - 2/28

*Ash Wednesday at the Prep* - 3/2

*Mass of St. Joseph* - 3/21

*Student Council Blood Drive* - 3/28