

Grade Applying To: _____



APPLICATION 2016-2017

Epiphany Mission Statement

Epiphany School is an independent, tuition-free middle school for children of economically disadvantaged families from Boston neighborhoods. We admit children of diverse faiths, races, cultures and cognitive profiles, believing in the Episcopal tradition that we find God in and through each other's presence. Epiphany's small classes, individualized curricula, and extended school days provide rigorous academic, moral and social instruction. In close partnership with families, we are an innovative learning community that affords structured support to help students thrive. Together we are a school that never gives up on a child. Epiphany challenges students to discover and develop the fullness of their individual gifts. We seek to prepare graduates who will contribute intelligently, morally, and actively to the society they will inherit.

PLEASE NOTE: Below are the federal income guidelines. Please be sure you qualify before proceeding to fill out the application.

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$21,775	\$1,815	\$ 908	\$ 838	\$ 419
2	29,471	2,456	1,228	1,134	\$567
3	37,167	3,098	1,549	1,430	\$715
4	44,863	3,739	1,870	1,726	\$863
5	52,559	4,380	2,190	2,022	\$1,011
6	60,255	5,022	2,511	2,318	\$1,159
7	67,951	5,663	2,832	2,614	\$1,307
8	75,647	6,304	3,152	2,910	\$1,455
For each add. member add	\$ 7,696	\$ 620	\$ 321	\$296	\$148

Your child's grade for September 2016 (next fall): _____ 5th Grade _____ 6th Grade

Student's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work/Other: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Gender: Male or Female Present Grade: _____

Present School: _____

Annual family income: _____ Number of dependents: _____

How did you hear about Epiphany: _____

Please note: If your child is given a spot in the new fifth grade class, you will need to complete application forms and submit a copy of your Federal Tax Return for 2015 or provide a letter from unemployment, transitional assistance or social security in order to keep the spot. A post-lottery review of applicants may lead Epiphany to refer families to other schools.



Dear Potential Epiphany School Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for your interest in the Epiphany School. We are focused on finding families who are committed to an intense, close, rigorous school like Epiphany. Please read through our brochure and website, and do not hesitate to call me, Lino Sanchez, 617-326-0425, x. 228, if you have any questions at all. It is important the Epiphany is the right fit for your family.

There are some important things that you should understand before you decide whether or not Epiphany is the right school for your child.

- 1) Epiphany has a 12 hour school day from 7:15 am until 7:15 pm, Monday-Thursday, and from 7:20 am-3:15 pm on Friday. This is a very important aspect of our school, and your child will be expected to be here all of that time.
- 2) Epiphany only accepts students who live in the City of Boston, and whose families' incomes are below the guidelines for free and reduced lunch in the public school system. If you are accepted to the school via the lottery, you will have to prove that you do in fact qualify to keep your spot by submitting your most recent tax- return, or a copy of a social services grant letter if it applies, food stamps verification, and/or Social Security benefits. Please see the Income Guidelines on the application for reference.
- 3) In lieu of tuition, Epiphany asks each family to commit at least 2 hours a week of service at the school. We do not have a janitor, a cook, a receptionist, or bus service. All of these jobs are done by students, teachers AND parents/guardians.
- 4) Epiphany has a uniform. All students are required to wear this uniform every day. If a child arrives in school not in uniform, he/she will be supplied a uniform and the parents will be charged.
- 5) There are several mandatory programs that your child will be required to attend.
 - Upon Acceptance, Epiphany students entering the 5th grade must participate in a mandatory week long orientation program from August 15th-19st, 2016.
 - Each year during the first week of school we have an all school overnight orientation retreat.
 - All Epiphany students are required to attend our summer programs in the month of July. It is a month long boarding program at The Groton School in Groton, MA.
 - Epiphany 5th graders must attend a week long farm trip in Vermont.
 - Epiphany 7th graders attend a week long outdoor adventure.
 - Epiphany 8th graders attend a week long trip to Washington, DC.

We believe that Epiphany can be an incredible opportunity. For those families interested in pursuing such an intense school experience, we welcome you!! Please fill out the application. We will be pulling the lottery in April 2016. You will be notified of your status soon after.

Again, please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or concerns,

Sincerely,

Lino Sanchez

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617) 326-0425 ext. 228



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OTHER SCHOOL OPTIONS

As Epiphany school has lottery admissions, it would be in your best interest to seek other options for your child in addition to applying here.

1) **CHARTER SCHOOLS**

To learn more about charter schools in Boston
Visit webpage at www.masscharterschools.org/schools/boston
Call: (617) 523-0881
Email: info@masscharterschools.org

2) **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

Catholic Schools Office, Archdiocese of Boston
Pastoral Center
66 Brooks Drive
Braintree, MA 02184
Phone: (617) 779-3601.
www.catholicschoolsboston.org

3) **AISNE**

You may also want to consider attending the AISNE school fair. At this fair you can hit a large number of schools at once. 781-843-8440

4) **METCO** - (617) 427-1545 www.metcoinc.org

5) **MOTHER CAROLINE** – 617-427-1177

6) **NATIVITY PREP** – 857-728-0031