

# St. Ignatius School



Fifth Grader

My classmates call me Tito. I am 10 years old and I live in Hunts Point. The reason I came to St. Ignatius is because there were tons of fights in my old school and at St. Ignatius there are none.



Fifth Grader

My future dream is to become a smart, respectful person. I would like to work in an office. One day in the future I would like to get married and have a family. I really want to go to Yale University. I also wish for world peace.



Fifth Grader

I'm 9 years old and I live in the Bronx. My favorite sport is basketball and I root for the Seattle Supersonics because their name is really cool.



Fifth Grader

My favorite subject is social studies because I enjoy learning about the past. When I finish St. Ignatius I would really like to go to Fordham Prep because it is a really good High School.

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My hope and dream is to go to a good high school after I graduate from St. Ignatius. The college I would love to go to is Fordham University because it is a really cool college. My class goes there for swimming lessons.



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Every morning it smells like roosters because next to my building there are roosters. I live in an apartment with my aunt, two cousins, brother, mom, babysitter and grandma. I came to St. Ignatius because I wanted to get a good education.



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On the weekends I play soccer and go to my cousin's house in Connecticut. Hopefully in the future I can become a soccer player because I really love soccer. The job I want is to be a doctor. My mom is hoping for me to be a doctor too.



Fifth Grader

I'm not sure which high school I want to go to right now, but I definitely know that I want to go to a good one. When I grow up I would like to become an undercover police officer, a car dealer of very expensive cars, or an actor.

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Hi, my name is Roberto and I live in Hunts Point. I always think we can make the neighborhood cleaner. Hopefully one day I can become a doctor and make my mother really proud of me.



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My favorite subjects are ELA, math, science, social studies and religion. So basically I like every subject. I would like to become a doctor one day though. I would love to be married to a wonderful wife.



Fifth Grader

Ignatius is a wonderful school. We are like a family. This school always keeps us from danger and keeps us properly dressed. I am so grateful to be at St. Ignatius.



Fifth Grader

I love St. Ignatius because of the activities, the teachers, and because of the volunteers. All this makes this school special because kids come in to school to learn and to have some fun.

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I love this school because the teachers are nice, and care about you. And if we don't agree about something, they listen to you. My mom also thinks that this school is good because the boys and girls are separated.



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Hi! My name is Paola. I love to learn French. I am 10 years old. Thank you (merci)! It's another word for "thank you." I thank you for making Saint Ignatius so great.



Fifth Grader

We have a lot of programs like soccer, cross country, and violin classes. I really love these things and being a St. Ignatius student!



Fifth Grader

Education can help me to be a singer. I need to know how to succeed in school and to go to a good college. Some people think all you need to do to be a singer is to go on "American Idol" but I know that a good education is the key to my dream.

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I like this school because it is very different from public school. It is more peaceful and the rules are followed. At public school the kids follow the rules at first. However, as soon they get to know the teacher they do not follow the rules.



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I want to tell you three great things about St. Ignatius. First, the teachers are great. Second, the classes give us a good education. Third, they give us nice supplies. Without these things St. Ignatius would not be a great school.



Fifth Grader

I live in the Bronx and have a big family. Most of the time I'm at home babysitting. At school, I have many friends. My friends and I are thankful that we can have the best education we can find in the Bronx.



Fifth Grader

I am 10 years old and I love to go swimming. My favorite subject in school is math. Three things that make the school great are the school supplies, students, teachers, and making Bright Temple and Manida school clean and on the right track.

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I want to be a journalist because I really love to write. I know that school can help me become a journalist by helping me to develop good grammar skills. I hope to be a news reporter so I can write about what is going on in the world.



Fifth Grader

This school is so great because of how the teachers treat us. Another reason why I love St. Ignatius is the students. They have been great at helping each other, treating each other with respect, and they don't say bad stuff. I love my school.



Sixth Grader

I want to be a doctor because when I go to see my doctor I have a lot of fun. She influenced me to be a doctor. I want to live in the middle of the USA because we learned about global warming in science class. I don't want to be here if there is going to be a flood.



Sixth Grader

My favorite subject is reading class. It is fun and interesting. After school my favorite things to do are play sports and hang out with my friends. St. Ignatius is a good school because it is safe and we have a lot of fun here.

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Sixth Grader

I want to go to Fordham Prep for high school and Fordham University for college. They are both in the city that I live in.



Sixth Grader

When I grow up I want to do many things. But the one job I want to do the most is work for the MTA, the Metropolitan Transit Authority for New York City. I want to drive the train.



Sixth Grader

My high school of choice would be Bronx Science and the college I would go to is DeVry University. Those schools would help me to have a career in 3-D animation, which I have a talent for. I would also like to go to Tokyo.



Sixth Grader

I want to work with animals because I love them and they have the right to be protected. I want to be a cartoonist because I love drawing. I don't want my talent to go to waste. I would also like educate kids in a humorous way.

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Sixth Grader

I want to be an actor because I would like to be in a movie. The person who inspired me is Jim Carrey. I want to live in Columbus, Ohio because it is nice there. For high school I want to go to Cardinal Hayes and for College I want to go to Ohio State University.



Sixth Grader

When I grow up I want to be a lawyer. My dad told me that lawyers make a lot of money and help a lot of people so I wanted to try it. I think that it would be good because then someday if I do become a lawyer I can support my whole family.



Sixth Grader

when I grow up I want to be a director. I want to be a director because people say that I have a lot of great ideas. I think if I become a director maybe I can go to Hollywood.



Sixth Grader

My name is Rafael, but my friends call me Ralphie. When I grow up I want to be a Major League baseball player. The teams I want to play for are the New York Yankees, the New York Mets, or the Boston Red Sox.

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Sixth Grader

When I grow up I want to be a commercial airline pilot and fly for American Airlines. The kind of airplane I want to fly is an Airbus A300. I want to fly all around the world and see all different things.



Sixth Grader

When I grow up, I would like to be a doctor. Why? Well, because it feels good to help other people besides myself.



Sixth Grader

I like to write love poems:

*Name*

I wrote your name in the sky  
but the wind blew it away.

I wrote your name in the sand  
but the waves washed it away

I wrote your name in my heart  
and forever it will stay.



Sixth Grader

I wish I could be a doctor and veterinarian. Cooking is a hobby of mine too. Perhaps I could be a chef. When I mix ingredients, it turns out to be so delicious. I would also like to be a photographer. My life will definitely be busy and active but definitely enjoyable.

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Sixth Grader

Beats are in everyday life. Your heart has rhythm and a beat. The way I slap my hands to my thigh and stomp my feet to the ground is how I express my soul to the outside world, but people don't understand. They say it's noisy; but your heart has a rhythm.



Sixth Grader

School; the word terrifies most kids and it used to haunt me too. I would wake up in the morning and dread the word. It was a nightmare, and I never imagined that it would change. St. Ignatius got rid of my nightmares, and turned my dreams into reality.



Sixth Grader

I close my eyes to go to sleep  
I dream of what I want to be  
I ask myself; do I want to be a cop  
and make people pay the fee  
or should I be an actress  
and let people adore me?  
I know what I want to be.  
I'm just going to be ME!!!



Sixth Grader

I am 11 years old. I have two sisters and a brother. My hobbies are tap dancing and singing. Saint Ignatius is a really great school to go to, and I enjoy being with my friends. When I finish St. Ignatius, I want to go to college and become an actress.

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Sixth Grader

My dream is to be a model, an actress and also a clothing designer. I want to share my money with charities and hospitals. I want to create clothes for all kinds of people. That way everyone will look spectacular. Look for me some day!



Sixth Grader

When it's summer, we get to attend two camps and they are Stonehill and Nantucket. The camps are exciting.



Sixth Grader

I am not a morning person; but on the other hand I love going to school. It is so much fun! A day in my life is simple as long as it is when I'm at school. Leaving school is the hardest part of the day.



Sixth Grader

When I went bowling for the first time, I was only six years old. I was very proud and gloating about the three pins that I hit. So on the next ball I threw, I went with it. I was sliding down the alley. The only good part was that I hit all the pins. STRIKE!

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Sixth Grader

My dreams and hopes are to be an actress and a singer. I love to act, sometimes even like a drama queen. I am always singing at home and I practice in my room or in the bathroom. I have a lot of dreams about caring for the environment.



Sixth Grader

I go to St. Ignatius. It's my school In my opinion, it's pretty cool. My eyes are brown. My hands are small. I'm not short. I'm not tall. My name is Thalia. I love to read. Just remember I follow my dreams.



Sixth Grader

A dream is a wish your heart makes. If you wish your dream it might come true. My dream is to become a poet and to do well in school.



Seventh Grader

My favorite subjects are math, science and religion. In social studies this year, we did a mock trial about Christopher Columbus. The activities that I participate in at school are dance, choir, basketball and soccer. In 10 years I would like to be a police officer.

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Seventh Grader

My favorite subject is social studies. I know some might find it a boring subject, but it is not to me. I like learning about the past. In 10 years, I would like to follow in my mom's footsteps and finish school. I would like to be a lawyer.



Seventh Grader

This year in science we are learning about cells. We had to draw animal and plant cells. I really enjoyed doing this. I want to finish college and have a wonderful job. I am still not sure what I want to do in the future. I am looking forward to having a good career.



Seventh Grader

My favorite subject is science, because I love doing lab work and looking through the microscope. One thing that we are doing in class right now is looking at our own cells and making wet slides.



Seventh Grader

I love to play sports. For example, I love basketball, soccer, track and softball. I've just finished soccer season! I have a younger sister that comes to St. Ignatius too! She is 10 years old, and she is in the 5th grade. My sister and I enjoy being in St. Ignatius.

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Seventh Grader

My favorite subject is gym class. On Wednesdays, we have tap dance. In 10 years I would like to be in the Bronx and be a veterinarian. My favorite sport is basketball.



Seventh Grader

My favorite subjects are religion and English. After all my classes, I participate in some activities like dance, choir and art. My favorite season is winter because it snows a lot, and Christmas is in winter.



Seventh Grader

My favorite subject is art, because I love to express myself in an art form. One day, I hope to be an artist or an immigration lawyer. I feel that this school can help me accomplish that.



Seventh Grader

I would like to finish college someday and be in a big house with my family. I have a sister who is 10 years old and in the 4th grade.

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## Seventh Grader

I am learning a lot of new things in every subject, but my favorite subject is math. In math, I am learning transformations and triangles. Something I enjoyed a lot this year is dance class, especially that we get tap shoes and get to perform a dance.



## Seventh Grader

I like science because we get to do cool activities and lab work. We get to use microscopes, and we do planting activities like making a small environment, counting the population of bugs and seeing new birth in our small plant environment.



## Seventh Grader

In 10 years, I would like to be working as a veterinarian. I have two brothers and two sisters. When I am not in school, I like to play with my friends and watch TV.



## Seventh Grader

One thing that I like about this year is our social studies project on the American Waterways. We get to study the Bronx River, and row canoes!

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Eighth Grader

My favorite thing about my favorite school is that our classes are small; mine only has eleven students. After college, I wish to become a marine biologist, exploring the seabed and hopefully finding new species of fish.



Eighth Grader

To me art could be my whole life. I try to think about what to draw when I have nothing else to do. My fear is that I won't get accepted into college. If I don't get accepted, how will I finish my studies and how will I accomplish my dream of becoming a scientist at NASA?



Eighth Grader

My name is Osiris and I currently go to St. Ignatius in the Bronx. My favorite things to do when I am done with my work are to watch TV and play video games. I love my school so much because it helps me learn and prepare me for the future.



Eighth Grader

I am thirteen years old. I love hockey! One day I want to become a professional hockey player so I could help my family. I want to go to St. Raymond's High School, and then to Boston College.

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Eighth Grader

My favorite thing about St. Ignatius School is that the teachers make learning fun in class. The colleges I want to go to are Florida State or Ohio State because they have big campuses and help you get a good job. In the future I want to be a NFL player.



Eighth Grader

The class I enjoy most is science because it is so interesting. It gets me so excited to learn new things about topics such as animals and weather. I would like to eventually become a marine biologist or meteorologist.



Eighth Grader

Hello, my name is Johnathan Serrano and I'm a really nice guy. I can brighten up anybody's day by making people laugh. What I want to be when I grow up is a priest, a technology specialist, a protester, a president (a politician) and a filmmaker.



Eighth Grader

I am the fastest runner and swimmer in my school. My favorite thing about my school is the extra-curricular activities. My hopes are to go to college and be a pitcher for the New York Yankees.

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Eighth Grader

For college I want to go to NYU, Harvard, or Yale. I will study communications and television production. When I grow up I want to be a person who makes TV shows. Saint Ignatius is helping me achieve my goals.



Eighth Grader

My ethnicity is 50% Puerto Rican and 50% Dominican. My favorite thing about Saint Ignatius is that the baseball team is undefeatable. The basketball team isn't unbeatable but they still do well in games.



Eighth Grader

I live with my mom in Hunts Point and I'm an only child. My school, S.I.S., is great. My favorite thing about St. Ignatius is how well the teachers teach and make the class fun and make the school day feel the same way.



Eighth Grader

St. Ignatius has prepared me for challenges that will come up in my life when I get older. The high schools I want to go to are Cristo Rey, Preston and Mount Saint Ursula.

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Eighth Grader

St. Ignatius is special to me because it offers a chance to learn and have fun at the same time. When I grow up I want to be a singer. Singing is something that helps me express my feelings.



Eighth Grader

[St. Ignatius] teachers are close with their students, and there are many fun activities. I love playing baseball and I am an excellent shortstop. I also love running track and I am also a great soccer player. I also enjoy playing basketball. Finally, I dance.



Eighth Grader

I have a dream that one day I will be a successful woman and become a famous dancer. I love my parents with all my heart. They have been there for me all my life. They brought me into a world where I am appreciated, loved, and taken care of.



Eighth Grader

At SIS you can express your feelings in any type of way you wish. I also want to go to a great college to have a better future. My school has brought so many opportunities to my life, and I really appreciate the school because it has opened so many doors.

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Eighth Grader

I like to play a lot of sports like basketball, softball, soccer, tennis and volleyball. In my spare time I like to use the computer, hang out, and be active, like walking around or playing a game. My favorite subject in school is math.



Eighth Grader

I'm an active student and human being. I love playing soccer, basketball, and track/cross country. I am a tutor for the fifth grade girls. I help the lunch lady with the lunches and mark down who ate and who didn't.



Eighth Grader

My favorite things to do are singing and sometimes writing. When I grow up I wish to become a singer, but my fear is that I won't get a record deal. SIS is helping me develop my singing in choir on Tuesday afternoons.



Eighth Grader

I am caring, I show compassion to others and make people laugh, and I like to have a good time. Since I'm in the 8th grade I have to look at schools to go to for high school and pick a school I really want to go to, which is hard.

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Eighth Grader

In school I try my best to maintain focus on my schoolwork and I also know how to have fun. I think that having fun in life is important. Also laughing, because when you laugh it makes you feel happy. I think that I am a very independent, determined girl who can be a leader!



Eighth Grader

I love to dance! I take hip-hop on Saturdays for one hour, and tap and ballroom in school for two hours. Music is a huge part of my life. Everywhere I go I listen to music. My goals for my future are high school and then college.



Eighth Grader

I love science because it is a passion to me ever since I was introduced to it. It blew me away with all of its information about the human body being a unique living machine, and the planets, on what inhabits Earth.

## In Between It All

In between fences decorated in barbed wire,  
In between walls hidden under graffiti;  
In between many problems;  
In between it all.

In between the war of gangs;  
Being overthrown by buildings and fences;  
Brain washed by all this violence;  
In between it all.

Trying to find an exit.  
Finally reaching the entrance of that exit;  
Finally reaching the entrance of a better life;  
Finally reaching St. Ignatius School;  
Finally not being in between it all.  
-Jeremy Zelaya, St. Ignatius School