

# SAVY Policies

Saturday Academy at Vanderbilt for the Young is a Saturday program (9AM to 11:45AM each Saturday) for qualifying gifted students in kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grades. Classes are designed for the academically gifted and motivated learner. Students sign up for one SAVY class per session. Students may enroll in both fall and spring sessions, only the fall session, or only the spring session. Students may apply for multiple sessions with this application

## Important Note

In the case of siblings, you will need to log out completely after submitting the first child's application, return to the main SAVY page, and then begin a new application for the next child. Each child must have their unique account with their own unique username.

## Admissions Qualifications

Students who test near the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile and above on a standardized achievement or ability test are eligible to participate in SAVY courses in their areas of strength. We accept any standardized achievement or ability test including, but not limited to, the following: RIAS, CogAT, TCAP, ERB, Stanford Achievement Test, OLSAT, Woodcock Johnson, WISC. Out-of-level standardized assessments are also accepted. While scores around the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile are typically a strong indication that SAVY is an appropriate curriculum match for a student, feel free to contact the PTY office for questions about scores that do not meet these criteria, as alternative documentation may be acceptable. Returning SAVY students do not need to resubmit test scores unless their scores are more than three years old. Students without test scores should work with their schools to obtain documentation of their advanced learning potential.

For more information about assessment (including out-of-level), contact PTY at 615-322-8261.

## Admissions Notification, Tuition Payment, and Required Paperwork

SAVY families will be notified of admissions decisions via email within four weeks of PTY receiving the fall application and within six weeks of receiving the spring application. If everything is complete, you will receive communication about placement. If materials are missing, PTY will notify you as soon as possible with a request for more information and with accompanying deadlines. For families who have applied for financial aid, financial aid information may be included in the admission notice if financial aid materials have already been submitted. The admission notice will include the tuition statement. Fall tuition is due September 1. Spring tuition is due December 8.

Before the start date of the program you will receive a packet of required welcome paperwork. Required paperwork includes emergency contact information, participation permission, medical information, and a media release. All students who participate in programs through Programs for Talented Youth must have current health insurance documentation on file with PTY.

### Fees and Tuition Costs

A nonrefundable application fee should be paid with this application for fall and/or spring. You may apply for fall and spring sessions with one \$35 application fee if you apply for both sessions at the same time. The \$35 application fee is nonrefundable regardless of a child's placement or admittance in a course.

Tuition for the Saturday SAVY fall session and spring session is \$425 per session.

Only the application fee is due when applying. You will receive a tuition statement via email concerning your student's placement in a ranked course. PTY does not collect full tuition until after your child has been admitted.

### Financial Assistance

PTY is committed to making programs available to academically gifted students regardless of a family's ability to pay the full tuition amount. Therefore, need-based financial aid is available based on income. The PTY application review process is need-blind and does not consider financial status. If you plan to apply for financial aid, you may indicate this on your application and then access the application through the Admissions section of the online application or through [this link](#). The financial aid application can also be found on our website. You may apply for financial aid at any point in the application process.

### Cancellation Policy

The \$35 application fee is nonrefundable. For students who are enrolled, cancellations made before the tuition due date (Fall: September 1, 2017 and Spring: December 8, 2017) will be eligible for a 100% tuition refund. Cancellations made after the tuition due date and before the refund deadline (Fall: September 15, 2017 and Spring: December 20, 2017) will be eligible for a 50% refund. No tuition refunds will be awarded after the refund deadline.