



MAKING SMCS TUITION AFFORDABLE FOR EVERYONE

St. Mary Catholic Schools (SMCS) is committed to providing a quality faith-filled education for students regardless of their family's financial situation. Through our participation in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) and our SMCS donor grant funds, provided by generous supporters who believe in our mission, we do all that is necessary to make SMCS education affordable for all budgets. **Together, we can determine which assistance program is the best option for your family.**

The WPCP allows qualified students to attend a participating private school tuition-free. The private school receives a state aid payment (voucher) for each eligible student. Currently, 124 SMCS students benefit from the WPCP, receiving free tuition annually. Students who receive a WPCP voucher and reapply in subsequent years, will be awarded a voucher regardless of family income, through grade 12.

For SMCS, when a student accepts a state voucher, the SMCS donor grant funds can be used to help other students. And new this year, we have increased transition grant incentives and offer financial support for students entering grades 6-12. An exciting new Affordable High School Tuition Grant of \$1,500 is available for families with incoming freshmen. For more information, see Grants on the Tuition Information Sheet.

Determining when and how to apply for assistance is easy and confidential.

Prior to filing 2018 taxes, review the WPCP Frequently Asked Questions sheet (attached) to see if you have an eligible student and meet the 2019-20 income limit. If you qualify, complete the online application between **February 1 and April 20, 2019**. If you prefer, contact Shelley Wautlet in the Business Office to assist you with this process or to set up a private consult.

For those who do not qualify for WPCP, SMCS donor grant funds are available to make sure that every family that wants their children to be a part of the SMCS community can fit tuition into their budget. Complete and return the 2019-20 SMCS Tuition Assistance/Grant Application (attached) **by February 15, 2019** for priority consideration. The SMCS tuition assistance requests are maintained with complete confidentiality. Families are encouraged to apply any time the need for assistance arises outside of this priority application period.

***Our Catholic schools are
inclusive of all faiths
and provide tuition
support to fit all budgets.***

Mail completed applications to:
Shelley Wautlet
SMCS Business Office
1050 Zephyr Drive
Neenah, WI 54956

Feel welcome to contact Shelley Wautlet at (920) 967-0021 or email swautlet@smcatholicsschools.org with questions on our tuition assistance options or to set up a private consult.



St. Mary
Catholic Schools
Grades P3-12

2019-20 SMCS Tuition Assistance/Grant Application

If you are requesting assistance, fill out this form completely and legibly. **You MUST include all W-2's and applicable tax forms and return by February 15, 2019 to be considered for SMCS donor grant funds.**

FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Father

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Employer: _____

Primary phone: _____

Email: _____

Religion: _____

Parish: _____

Mother

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Employer: _____

Primary phone: _____

Email: _____

Religion: _____

Parish: _____

Marital status (circle): Single / Married / Divorced / Separated

LIST ALL CHILDREN IN FAMILY— include all children living in household, regardless of age or school attending

Student Full Name	Age	Upcoming Grade/Class	Upcoming School	SMCS Tuition if applicable (see below)	Voucher Recipient
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
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2019-20 Tuition Rates

- Pre3 & 4K (3 Half days) — \$1575
- Pre3 & 4K (5 Half days) — \$2000
- 4K (3 Full days) — \$2500
- 4K (5 Full days) — \$3175
- Grades K-5 — \$3175
- Aquinas Grades 3-5 — \$4600 less grant = \$3475
- Grades 6-8 — \$4300 less grant = \$4100
- Grade 9 — \$6900 less grants = \$4900
- Grades 10-12 — \$6900 less grant = \$6400
- Voucher student all grade levels — tuition free

For additional information on fees & grants, see Tuition Information Sheet.

List additional children or other applicable family information here:

PLEASE FILL OUT COMPLETELY. You MUST include copies of your 2018 W-2's and your 2018 Federal Tax Return.

1. Review the 2019-20 income limits to see if you qualify for vouchers (or additional vouchers) through the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. dpi.wi.gov/sms/choice-programs/student-applications. Complete online application February 1-April 20. **How many students will you be applying to receive 2019-20 vouchers for?** _____
2. All families who receive discounts (transition grants, tuition assistance, donor funds, etc.) **are expected to use the Scrip Program** as a means to reduce their tuition. New families may enroll in the Scrip Program and begin using it immediately. Go to smcsscrip.org or contact the SMCS Business Office with Scrip questions. The average family earns \$500/year. **List the amount of Scrip credits you plan to earn the upcoming school year:** \$ _____
3. **List the amount of assistance needed for the upcoming school year:** \$ _____
Use this guide: 1. Calculate your family tuition total (less grants, see page 1), 2. Determine your payment commitment; the amount you feel you can pay upfront, monthly and/or with bonuses or tax return monies. 3. Subtract your Scrip credits and payment commitments from your total tuition to determine the amount of assistance you are in need of.
4. **Please explain your family needs for tuition assistance.** Include financial hardships; medical bills, loss of jobs, disabilities, family issues, etc. Use additional paper, if necessary.

5. **Please list student achievements and/or parent volunteer efforts.**

6. **List your total annual household salary:** \$ _____ \$ _____
Annual gross salary - Household Any additional income (if applicable)

7. **Provide documentation:**

- ~ **Include copies of all 2018 W-2's with this application**
- ~ **Include copies of your 2018 Federal Income Tax Return—first 2 pages only.** If you have not filed 2018 taxes yet, please provide them once you file or by April 20th.

Signature: _____ Phone # _____ Date: _____

Complete applications with copies of all W-2's will be considered if received by:

February 15, 2019

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