

Registration Fees

A \$100 non-refundable tuition payment is required for each student with the completed registration paperwork. This tuition payment will be applied to your 2017-18 tuition. After the registration deadline, March 11, 2017, \$150 per student late registration fee will be assessed for returning families. This is in addition to the \$100 tuition payment (no family maximum). New families registering after the registration deadline will not be assessed the late fee. Late registration fees **will not** be deducted from tuition.

Tuition

Tuition is assessed at the beginning of the school year according to grade levels.

Grade Levels	Tuition In-Parish*	Tuition Out of Parish	Parent Involvement Goal
3 Year Old Preschool (Tu & Th AM)	\$1000	\$1150	\$100
4 Year Old Pre-Kindergarten (M-W-F 8-11:30)	\$1200	\$1500	\$200
4 Year Old Pre-Kindergarten (M-W-F Full Day)	\$1500	\$2100	\$200
Grades K-8 (Full Day)	\$2500	\$3600	\$500

**In-Parish: Families are billed at the in-parish tuition rate when registered members of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception or SS. Peter & Paul Parishes and participating as a faithful steward of their parish.*

Based on the projected enrollment of 160 students and the current proposed budget for 2017-2018, the average cost per student will be \$5,588.

Percentage of Expenses Covered by Tuition: 42%

Percentage of Expenses Covered by Parish Support: 37%

Percentage of Expenses Covered by Third Source Funding: 21%

Tuition Payments Plans

Each family is responsible for making arrangements to either pay in full or to enroll in the monthly EFT payment plan.

1. **Pay in Full Upfront**

To pay in full in advance, the tuition balance is due in full no later than July 31, 2017 or 30 days after registration for new families registering after July 1, 2017. If you choose this plan, your tuition statement will be mailed to you for payment in July. A 2% prepay discount per student is available for Kindergarten – 8th grade students only. Subtract 2% (or \$50) per student for paying in full in advance. A pre-pay discount is not available on Pre-Kindergarten or Preschool tuition.

2. **Monthly Payment Plan**

St. Mary School uses an Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) payment plan. Families submit an EFT tuition agreement for monthly payments via direct checking or savings account withdrawals. Payments are spread over 12 months (July-June).

- **New families and returning families** will need to complete a new EFT tuition agreement.
- **EFT agreement forms** are included in the St. Mary School Registration Packet and are available at the St. Mary School Office.

Families are billed at in-parish tuition rates when registered as members of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception or SS. Peter and Paul Parishes and participating as a faithful steward of either parish.

Faithful Stewards

Being a faithful steward of St. Mary or SS. Peter and Paul means that your family is prayerfully committed to sharing your gifts with St. Mary or SS. Peter and Paul in the following ways:

Prayer

- ~Attending Mass Regularly
- ~Praying Daily with Family
- ~Frequenting the Sacraments
- ~Making Visits to Church
- ~Coming to Eucharistic Adoration
- ~Engaging in Adult Formation
- ~Praying the Rosary
- ~Attending Daily Mass
- ~Making a Pilgrimage

Time and Talent

- ~Active PTO Member
- ~Room Parent
- ~Volunteer in Classrooms
- ~Photograph Outside School Activities
- ~Library Help
- ~Mentor for New Families
- ~Tutor Students
- ~Share Other Talents
- ~Chaperone Field Trips
- ~Organize Storage Rooms
- ~Help with Concert Props

Treasure

The biblical principle of tithing calls us to express our gratitude to God by giving him the first 10% of our income. Many people have found that tithing faithfully to their parish increases their joy, peace and awareness of God’s many blessings in their lives. The chart below invites you to take a step toward this goal. God is never outdone in generosity!

Income	3% Weekly	3% Annually	5% Weekly	5% Annually	10% Weekly	10% Annually
\$30,000	\$17	\$900	\$29	\$1,500	\$58	\$3,000
\$75,000	\$43	\$2,250	\$72	\$3,750	\$144	\$7,500
\$120,000	\$69	\$3,600	\$115	\$6,000	\$231	\$12,000
\$200,000	\$115	\$6,000	\$192	\$10,000	\$385	\$20,000

Past-Due Balances

If circumstances occur that affect your ability to pay, please contact our office immediately so we can assist you in applying for Tuition Assistance (see section below).

Balances that are past-due may be subject to interest charges at a rate determined annually by the St. Mary Finance Council. Accounts that remain past-due for more than two months may be turned over to an attorney or collection agency for further action.

Multi-Child Discounts

Families having more than one child attending St. Mary School may qualify for a multi-child discount on the tuition rate. If you have more than one Kindergarten – 8th grade student attending St. Mary, you will receive a reduction of \$100 per student, beginning with the second child and each subsequent child. Students in the Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten programs do not qualify for the multi-child discount.

Fundraising Goal Requirement

Your annual assessed fundraising goal can be met by purchasing SCRIP June 1, 2017 thru May 31, 2018.

All families with children at St. Mary School are required to achieve an annual fundraising goal as follows:

- \$100 per family with 3 year old Preschool children only.
- \$200 per family with 4 year old Pre-Kindergarten children only.
- \$500 per family with at least one child in K-8.

Families with children both in school and Faith Formation, will be required to meet the fundraising goal set by the school. Families with a child(ren) at St. Mary Central High School, will be assessed the difference between the family fundraising goal requirement less the SMC requirement. The family fundraising requirement will be pro-rated on the same basis as the family's tuition plan and is subject to the same late fee requirement.

This fee may be satisfied by either of the following:

1. Any rebates generated through the purchase of SCRIP and or fundraisers attributable to individual families will be credited against the annual fundraising goal. Any rebates earned in excess of the Fundraising goal will be split 50-50 with St. Mary Parish (see note below). Families are encouraged to earn more than the fundraising goal requirement to provide much needed financial support for the parish and rebate benefits that help the family.
2. If families do not satisfy the required fundraising goal, the balance will be added to the family's tuition account and will be due no later than the end of the school year.

Fundraising Goal Credits and Overages:

Once a family earns fundraising goal rebates in excess of their family fundraising goal, the excess amount will be split 50-50 with the families and the overall parish budget. Families may direct their 50% overage:

1. As a donation to the school, Faith Formation, or parish; **OR**
2. To the family's tuition account for the 2018-19 school year; **OR**
3. To another specified family's family tuition account for the 2018-19 school year; **OR**
4. To a cash rebate paid by check to the family; **OR**
5. To the family's Faith Formation tuition account.

Should a family choose to leave the school or the Faith Formation program before the end of the school year, the remaining family fundraising goal balance must be paid in full.

Company Matching Programs

Please check with your employer to find out whether they participate in matching gift programs. Many local companies will match gifts employees make to charitable organizations such as St. Mary School. These donations increase third source funding and support the operation of the school. Company matching gifts do not apply to the family fundraising goal.

Tuition Assistance

St. Mary is committed to providing a quality, Catholic education to all students regardless of their financial situation. Financial assistance is available for registered parish families of students in grades K-8. Applications for tuition assistance are included in the family registration packet. To apply, a family must complete the application and return it prior to March 11, 2017. All applications are strictly confidential. There is no tuition assistance available for Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten students. Any family receiving financial assistance this school year or previously, must reapply for the new school year.

Tuition Refunds

If a student withdraws or is asked to leave St. Mary, the following guidelines will be used:

1. All final decisions are made by the administrator.
2. Tuition may be pro-rated based on the number of school days attended. For example, if a student withdraws in January, and has attended for 90 days (50% of the total 180 days in a school year) the tuition would be pro-rated by 50%.

Recruitment Incentive

We are looking to share the many blessings at St. Mary School with other families. As true disciples, we must go and spread the good news of our faith. What better way to "spread the word" than by inviting more families to join us. Any family that encourages a new family to enroll a student in St. Mary School will receive a \$100 credit on their family's tuition. You truly can be a supportive advocate of our school while sharing your faith. Catholic education continues to be an excellent value for your children. We appreciate the financial investment you are making in your child's education.

As members of the Body of Christ, we at St. Mary learn, love, and serve.

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