



Date 8/4/23

Dear St. Peter Families,

On July 3, 2023, Ohio Governor DeWine signed the biennial budget bill. In it, there are many provisions that affect our Catholic school. One of these includes expanding the educational options for all Ohio families. Effective for the 2023-2024 school year, every family in Ohio will be eligible to receive some type of scholarship to attend a participating private school. The scholarship award amount is based on a family's gross adjusted income (found on line 11 of one's 1040 tax form). Families who make 450% or less of the Federal Poverty guidelines are eligible for the full scholarship; families who make more than 450% are eligible for a partial scholarship. Please see the chart below to determine one's poverty level:

| 2023-2024 Federal Poverty Level Percentages for Annual Income | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Number in Household | 200% | 450% | 500% | 550% | 600% | 650% | 700% | 750% |
| 2 | \$ 39,440 | \$ 88,740 | \$ 98,600 | \$ 108,460 | \$ 118,320 | \$ 128,180 | \$ 138,040 | \$ 147,900 |
| 3 | \$ 49,720 | \$ 111,870 | \$ 124,300 | \$ 136,730 | \$ 149,160 | \$ 161,590 | \$ 174,020 | \$ 186,450 |
| 4 | \$ 60,000 | \$ 135,000 | \$ 150,000 | \$ 165,000 | \$ 180,000 | \$ 195,000 | \$ 210,000 | \$ 225,000 |
| 5 | \$ 70,280 | \$ 158,130 | \$ 175,700 | \$ 193,270 | \$ 210,840 | \$ 228,410 | \$ 245,980 | \$ 263,550 |
| 6 | \$ 80,560 | \$ 181,260 | \$ 201,400 | \$ 221,540 | \$ 241,680 | \$ 261,820 | \$ 281,960 | \$ 302,100 |
| 7 | \$ 90,840 | \$ 204,390 | \$ 227,100 | \$ 249,810 | \$ 272,520 | \$ 295,230 | \$ 317,940 | \$ 340,650 |
| 8 | \$ 101,120 | \$ 227,520 | \$ 252,800 | \$ 278,080 | \$ 303,360 | \$ 328,640 | \$ 353,920 | \$ 379,200 |
| 9 | \$ 111,400 | \$ 250,650 | \$ 278,500 | \$ 306,350 | \$ 334,200 | \$ 362,050 | \$ 389,900 | \$ 417,750 |
| 10 | \$ 121,680 | \$ 273,780 | \$ 304,200 | \$ 334,620 | \$ 365,040 | \$ 395,460 | \$ 425,880 | \$ 456,300 |
| For Each Additional Person Add: | \$ 10,280 | \$ 23,130 | \$ 25,700 | \$ 28,270 | \$ 30,840 | \$ 33,410 | \$ 35,980 | \$ 38,550 |

Please see the chart below to determine the scholarship award amount based on the poverty level:

| Scholarship Award Amounts by Poverty Level | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------------|
| | 450% or less | 451-500% | 501-550% | 551-600% | 601-650% | 651-700% | 701-750% | 751% or greater |
| Elementary K-8 | \$ 6,165 | \$ 5,200 | \$ 3,650 | \$ 2,600 | \$ 1,850 | \$ 1,300 | \$ 900 | \$ 650 |
| High School 9-12 | \$ 8,407 | \$ 7,050 | \$ 5,000 | \$ 3,550 | \$ 2,500 | \$ 1,750 | \$ 1,250 | \$ 950 |

For our Catholic school to financially operate, we rely on the income from three general areas: student tuition, generous donations and fundraising, and in our case, from the direct support of Transfiguration of the Lord Parish. Our tuition rate for the 2023-2024 school year will now more closely reflect the amount it costs our Catholic school to educate one student relative to our budgeted expenses. **Please know that your out-of-pocket amount will not increase with this change.** This modification in tuition aligns with a Diocesan policy for setting tuition rates



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and as a result of this budget bill, the State of Ohio is allowing private schools the opportunity to alter the previously listed tuition for this upcoming academic year. The tuition for the 2023-2024 school year will change from \$3,475 to \$6,165.

Payment options will still be offered to families that have a remaining balance due after applying for the EdChoice scholarship and signing over the awarded amount to St. Peter Catholic School. Please contact the school office if this applies to you. You must apply for the EdChoice scholarship before the deadline of Sep.30, 2023 or your enrollment will not be accepted. Any accounts with a credit balance after the EdChoice scholarship application deadline will be refunded the amount of the credit balance.

If you have questions about tuition or applying for EdChoice please contact the school office.

We are encouraging all families to apply for an EdChoice Scholarship. The process to apply includes three steps.

1. Notify the school and ensure enrollment admission has taken place.
2. Fill out a two-page application, current utility bill, and birth certificate of your student, and provide that to our school.
3. Verify your income with the state of Ohio by submitting a form through the mail or, preferably, by creating an account on www.ohid.ohio.gov and uploading an income document online. We're happy to assist you with this process.

Thank you for continuing to choose St. Pete's for your family!

Blessings,

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