

# Payment Plan & Tuition Assistance using FACTS

## *“Can we afford to send our child to St. Anthony School?”*

This is one of the first question parents ask themselves. At St. Anthony School, we are committed to making your educational experience with us as accessible and affordable as possible. We offer several forms of tuition assistance to help make your tuition affordable.

### **Tuition Payment:**

- Tuition may be paid in full by June 15, over 10 months from July to April, or over 12 months from July to June.
- [FACTS Payment Plan setup](#) - All payments, including payment in full, are processed through our FACTS Payment Plan system. See below.

### **Some important information regarding payment options:**

- Payment Plan setup is completed online in the FACTS system at <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3FFKJ>. Simply click on “Create a User Name and Password” and follow the step-by-step registration process.
- Payment Plan setup must be completed by March 15 or at the time of enrollment acceptance for those enrolling after March 15.
- Students will be placed on a class list and enrollment will be considered finalized only after payment plan setup has been completed.

### **Additional Financial Information**

- **Fees** - A non-refundable \$15 per child application fee is due at the time of registration. All other fees are included in the cost of tuition.
- **Payment Upon Withdrawal or Transfer** -All fees are due and payable in full at the time of withdrawal or transfer to another school, unless sufficient payment has been made to cover the fees amount. Any remaining fees and tuition will be prorated based upon 180 days of school from the first day of attendance to the last day of attendance. Payment of any balance owed to St. Anthony is required for future acceptance into another Diocesan school, including high school, and for the transfer of student records to any public or private school.
- **Active Parishioner Status** is verified each year at the time of registration. Families are only granted parishioner subsidy towards tuition based on the **previous** year's participation/ contribution to St. Anthony Parish. Parish subsidy may also be granted to members of a sending parish without a diocesan school.

### **Tuition Assistance:**

#### **Eligibility for Assistance\***

The income brackets for determining assistance eligibility vary from family to family and from year to year, but typically **a family of 4 can earn up to \$89,000 per year and qualify for some form of aid**. The income used to determine eligibility for assistance is the adjusted gross income (after deductions) from Federal income tax returns, not salary, plus any additional income, such as child support. St. Anthony uses an online income verification system called [FACTS Grant & Aid](#) to determine income eligibility for all types of tuition assistance offered. Applications for Grant & Aid are submitted through the same login as Payment Plan.

## Tuition Assistance Types and Amounts\*

- **School Choice Voucher**
  - **Full Voucher** – Full voucher amounts vary by the school district of residence, but the **typical amount paid by a family who lives within the South Bend School District boundaries and qualifies for a full School Choice Voucher is \$0 (zero)**.
  - **Partial Voucher**– Partial voucher amounts vary by the school district of residence. The average tuition owed for a student who qualifies for a partial School Choice Voucher at the highest income bracket is \$2000 per year, but can be as low as \$400.
- **SGO Grants** – SGO Grants are offered by our Diocese to families who do not fall into one of the eligibility pathways for the School Choice Voucher program. SGO Grants potentially provide a pathway into the voucher program in the subsequent school year, if income eligibility is met. SGO Grant award amounts vary by household size and income.
- **Parish Assistance** – Parish Assistance is offered to families who do not qualify for either a School Choice Voucher or an SGO Grant (i.e. Pre-K students). Parish Assistance awards vary by household size and income.
- **Large Family Fund** – Offered by the Diocese to families with 3 or more children enrolled in Catholic schools. Award varies by family size and income.

*\*Please note that assistance awards are specific to each family and vary by household size, income, and state regulations. A FACTS Grant & Aid application is needed for household data verification before we can determine exact award amounts.*

Applications for assistance are reviewed **after a student has completed the registration process and has been accepted for enrollment**. The deadline for submitting applications for the upcoming school year is April 15. Aid determinations will be made on/around May 15. Families enrolled after these dates will be considered on a case-by-case basis, as applications are received and enrollment has been granted.

### Who can I contact for additional FACTS information?

- **Payment Plan** – [Jeanette Hamel](#), Parish Business Manager –574-282-2308 x211.
- **Grant & Aid** – [Pam White](#), Enrollment & Tuition Assistance Coordinator – 574-233-7169 x111.