



April 26, 2023

Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you of our tuition rates in preparation for the next school year. With increasing costs of operation, more revenue from tuition, fundraising, and the contribution of the parish are needed to offset costs. The past year has seen a rapid increase in costs. Households are assuredly experiencing this firsthand. As a school, expenses are budgeted carefully to keep rates as affordable as possible for families. The single student tuition rate was increased by \$200 with some modest increases for households with multiple children.

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**2023-2024 Parishioner Tuition Rates**

1 student	\$4,500
2 students	\$7,600
3 students	\$9,300
4 students	\$10,500
5 students	\$11,500
6 students	\$12,000

**Non-parishioner**

1 student	\$6,700
2 students	\$12,400
3 students	\$16,500

\* Tuition for Developmental Kindergarten is \$2,800.

\*\*Families can earn a \$150 tuition credit for the next school year by meeting volunteer time and raffle commitments.

\*\*\*The annual enrollment fee is \$150 per family. Continuous enrollment is in place for students in kindergarten through 7th grade. Students that have not been withdrawn as of May 1st will be automatically enrolled for the next school year.

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Faculty compensation is the largest school operating expense. New diocesan salary scales were approved a year ago to increase our teaching staff wages. This is a necessary step to invest in our valuable teaching staff. Our current staff wages are roughly 59 percent of their local public school counterparts. The diocesan scale helps to close that gap to eventually get closer to 70 percent.

Our teachers are a very experienced teaching staff. The majority of SFX teachers have been teaching at St. Francis for at least 10 years, and our teachers newer to St. Francis have brought a wealth of prior experience. In total, our staff have 13 collective master's degrees.

Building and infrastructure upgrades related to the school have largely been funded through the contributions of donors. During the Gala "Fund the Need" last year, funds were raised to purchase 35 new windows for the school. The windows recently shipped and are ready to be installed this summer. Additional building upgrades related to school safety will be funded through school safety grants and the Gala "Fund the Need".

Tuition assistance is available for families that have a need. If you are in need of financial assistance, Facts Grant and Aid applications can be completed online by May 15. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact me.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Adam Dobrowolski". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Adam Dobrowolski