ALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOME

Tuition Assistance Opportunities for Catholic Education in the Diocese of Richmond



Parish Sharing

The parishes of the Diocese of Richmond provide financial support to our Catholic schools.

- Available for children who have been baptized Roman Catholic and are registered in a Parish.
- Amount of support is determined by the student's calculated need.
- Awards available to students attending Diocesan schools.

McMahon Parater Foundation Scholarships

The McMahon Parater Foundation (MPF) was established in 2008 to make Catholic schools more affordable by providing tuition assistance to families seeking a Catholic education for their children. Gifts to MPF's Investing in Our Children campaign provide this tuition assistance.

- Both Catholic and non-Catholic students are eligible for these scholarships.
- Amount of support is determined by the student's calculated need.
- Available to students attending Diocesan and private Catholic schools.



Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credits Program (EISTC)

Through Virginia's EISTC program, approved donations to MPF provide Catholic school scholarships for students who are Virginia residents.

- Both Catholic and non-Catholic students are eligible for these scholarships.
- Recipients of EISTC scholarships must come from families whose annual household income is less than 300% of the current poverty guideline (or 400% for children with disabilities).

EISTC Financial Eligibility Limits

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2018-19 Sch	ool Year		
2018 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		EISTC Eligibility	EISTC Eligibility for Students with Disabilities
		Household Income Cannot Exceed:	
Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline	300% of Poverty Guideline	400% of Poverty Guideline
1	\$12,140	\$36,420	\$48,560
2	\$16,460	\$49,380	\$65,840
3	\$20,780	\$62,340	\$83,120
4	\$25,100	\$75,300	\$100,400
5	\$29,420	\$88,260	\$117,680
6	\$33,740	\$101,220	\$134,960
7	\$38,060	\$114,180	\$152,240
8	\$42,380	\$127,140	\$169,520
For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$4,320 for each additional person.		add \$12,960 per additional family member	add \$17,280 per additional family member

Recipients must also meet one of these criteria:

- -Eligible to enter kindergarten or first grade, OR
- -Attended a Virginia public school for at least half
- of the current or prior school year, OR
- -Were not Virginia residents during the preceding school year, OR
- -Were prior recipients of an EISTC scholarship.
- Scholarships cannot exceed the state's allocation for the division in which the student resides.
- These awards are available to students attending Diocesan and private Catholic schools.

Each Catholic school also provides additional tuition assistance.

How to Apply

To be eligible for tuition assistance, families must first contact the Catholic school of their choice to indicate their interest. Families must complete the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment online application at: online.factsmgt.com/aid

An application fee is required.

- Families with W2 income only will need to send their 2017 tax return along with their 2018 W2's.
- Families with income other than W2 income (such as rental income, business income, income from a partnership, or any other source of income) must send their 2017 tax return and 2017 W2's.
- Families who are not required to file a tax return must send documentation to reflect this, such as documentation for Social Security income, Child Support, Welfare, Food Stamps, TANF, Workers' Compensation and other related documents.

Deadlines

- Families who have previously registered through FACTS must complete their 2019-2020 school year applications by March 1, 2019.
- New families, self-employed families, and families with business income must complete their applications by June 1, 2019.

If you need help completing your tuition assistance application, please contact your Catholic school.

