



January 26th, 2024

Dear Parents,

It is time to begin registration for the 2024-2025 school year. We have typically aligned registration with Catholic Schools Week which begins January 28th this year. We are currently in the process of advancing to a fully online, integrated registration and payment platform called FACTS. Our parents have been asking for a platform to complete forms and pay tuition/fees online. FACTS will be able to provide all of this and more. Also, in 2024-2025 we will be moving to FACTS as our school information system from our current OptionC. These are great changes, but change takes time. Unfortunately, FACTS will not quite be ready by the end of January. FACTS is expected to launch early in February, at that time you will receive an email with the link to complete your child's registration for the 2024-2025 school year. Your family's 2023/24 tuition account must be current as of January 31st, 2024, for your child's 2024/25 registration to be finalized.

The changes to the EdChoice Expansion scholarship program have provided significant assistance to our families and school this year. We greatly appreciate the patience of our families and the dutiful work of our school and parish administration as we navigated this year. The tuition for our Kindergarten-8th grade students for the 2024-2025 school year is \$6,166 per student. Our parish continues its commitment to keep the cost of a Catholic education affordable for families who do not have their child's tuition fully covered by EdChoice or who are not eligible to receive the EdChoice scholarship. Through the St. John the Baptist scholarship, the Catholic Education Foundation and St. John's parish financial assistance, the net tuition cost for families will be \$4,515 or less per child.

Our preschool and pre-kindergarten families can find a detailed tuition schedule for the 2024-2025 school year attached to this letter.

A registration fee of \$125 per child will be paid at the time of registration in FACTS. There is no longer a processing fee for families who pay tuition monthly. After March 8th, the registration fee will increase to \$250 per child.

We will continue to set aside some of each student's tuition to assist in funding technology (\$65 in 2024/25). With the continued advancement in technology, we plan to use the funds to better serve our students in the next school year and for years to come.

If you would like to apply for financial assistance, families have a few opportunities to do so. Families will need to apply online with FACTS for both St. John's and the Catholic Education Foundation financial assistance. Please see the enclosed sheet for more information about financial assistance. If you have questions, please contact Mike Newton in the parish office at mnewton@stjb.net or 513-367-9086 ext. 213.

We look forward to the new school year and the opportunity to assist you in the formation of your child in the Catholic Faith.

Sincerely In Christ,

Father Paul Ruwe

Mrs. Nicole Herrmann

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL HARRISON, OHIO

TUITION AND FEE SCHEDULE FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

PRESCHOOL - 8 SCHOOL REGISTRATION: 1/28 - 3/8, 2024

Tuition and Fee Schedule Details

- EdChoice scholarship levels are up to \$6,166 per K-8 student. If a family does not qualify for full tuition coverage with EdChoice or does not receive any EdChoice funds due to receiving Jon Peterson funding or being an Indiana resident, a St. John the Baptist Scholarship is available to cover the difference between what is received from EdChoice and the below **net tuition rates**. A separate scholarship application will be reviewed with the families.
- Multi-student discounts have been eliminated due to the changes in the EdChoice scholarship program. If EdChoice does not cover 100% of tuition and your family has multiple children at St. John's, please apply for financial assistance (see below).

Preschool Active Parishioner Rates

Preschool Non-Active/Non-Parishioner Rates

\$1,715 3 year olds (2 days/week) \$2,230 4 year olds (3 days/week)

\$1,970 3 year olds (2 days/week)

\$2,560 4 year olds (3 days/week

2024-2025 Registrations will not be finalized until families are current with their tuition as of January 31, 2024

K-8 Active Parishioner Rates

\$4,515 Per child

K-8 Non-Active/Non-Parishioner Rates

\$7,645 Per child

Pre-Kindergarten Active Parishioner Rates

\$2,400 One child in Pre-K \$6,915 One Pre-K & one child in K-8 \$11,430 One Pre-K & two or more in K-8

Pre-Kindergarten Non-Active/Non-Parishioner Rates

\$2,735 One child in Pre-K \$10.380 One Pre-K & one child in K-8 \$18,025 One Pre-K & two or more in K-8

REGISTRATION FEES:

January 28 - March 8, 2024: After March 8, 2024:

\$125 per child \$250 per child

New Families Only: \$125 per child

Online registration forms without the registration fee payment will not be accepted.

REFUND OF THE REGISTRATION FEE:

The registration fee is non-refundable except in the following instances:

- A family is moving out of parish.
- In the case of applicants for financial aid, if the amount of financial aid granted is not adequate, the family will have two weeks after notification of the aid to request a full refund.
- The class does not have adequate space for student.

CREDIT CARD USAGE: A 2.95% charge will occur on all tuition and Before & After School Care payments made using a credit or debit card. No fee will be charged for payments from a checking or savings account, nor will a fee be charged if a card is used for registration fee.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: St. John the Baptist financial assistance is only available for registered St. John's parishioners enrolled in our school in grades K-8. If you would like to apply for financial assistance, you will need to apply online with FACTS Management. Your application will need to be completed no later the April 15, 2024. The link to apply online https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3XBQ9. The same application process is used to apply for aid from the Catholic Education Foundation, with the deadline for that program being February 25, 2024. A family who requests aid from St. Johns but does not apply in a timely fashion with the Catholic Education Foundation will risk receiving a lower level of aid from St. Johns, If you do not have access to complete an application online or for more information about financial aid, please contact Mike Newton in the parish office. 513-367-9086 ext. 213.

PLEASE NOTE: The number of classes in each grade will be determined by the number of students registered by February 29, 2024. Admission of students registered after that time will be determined by the availability of space.

Tuition Assistance Application Information

FACTS Tuition Management will be conducting the financial need analysis for St. John the Baptist School families that are applying for tuition assistance for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year. Families applying for financial aid will need to complete an application online <u>and</u> submit the necessary supporting documentation to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment by **April 15, 2024**. Applications will only be processed when all supporting documents are received by FACTS. The program requires 2023 tax returns. Applicants can apply online with the FACTS link at https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3XBQ9. If this is your first time applying for tuition assistance with FACTS, you will need to create a new account. There will be a \$35.00 fee to apply for tuition assistance that will need to be paid online to complete your application process. Families will be notified of tuition assistance awards by May 31, 2024.

Another source of potential financial aid for Preschool – 8 grades is through the Archdiocese's Catholic Education Foundation, with the deadline for that program being February 25, 2024. This program requires only 2022 tax returns. A family who requests aid from St. John the Baptist but does not apply in a timely fashion with the Catholic Education Foundation will risk receiving a lower level of aid from St. Johns. More details about this aid can be found at www.CatholicBestChoice.org.

If you have applied for tuition assistance at one of the high schools in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, you will only need to list your child's name that is attending our school on that application and submit your 2023 tax returns. There will be no additional fee to apply for tuition assistance for our school.

Financial assistance is only available for registered St. John the Baptist parishioners with students enrolled in our school in grades K-8 who have signed the Catholic School Covenant. St. John's tuition assistance is not available for preschool or pre-Kindergarten students. Also, if a family receives a full tuition payment from the EdChoice program, no financial aid will be needed.

All tuition assistance applications will be handled through an online application. If you do not have access to apply online, please contact our Business Manager, Mike Newton, mnewton@stjb.net or 513-367-9086 ext. 213.

Once an online application has been completed, the following information will need to be sent to FACTS to complete the application process:

- Copies of your 2023 Federal tax forms including all supporting tax schedules
- Copies of your 2023 W-2 forms for both you and your spouse
- Copies of supporting documentation for Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and TANF

All supporting documentation can be uploaded online in pdf format.

If you have questions or concerns about the application process, you may speak with a FACTS Customer Care Representative at 866-315-9262 or contact Mike Newton.

All information contained on the tuition assistance applications is kept strictly confidential.