



MCDONELL AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear MACS Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for partnering with McDonnell Area Catholic Schools to provide an excellent, faith-based education for your children.

Enrollment for our 2020-21 school year opens on January 27, 2020. For 2020-21, we are rolling into tuition the following fees: classroom activities fee (grades K-5), technology fee (grades 3-12), art fee, and annual retreat fee (grades 9-12). After freezing tuition for the past three years, there will be a modest 2% increase to help cover rising costs, including more competitive wages to retain and attract well qualified staff members.

With transparency and good stewardship in mind, tuition rates for 2020-21 will be as follows:

	Grades K - 8 <i>Avg. cost to educate: \$8,500</i>	Grades 9 - 12 <i>Avg. cost to educate: \$11,700</i>	Family Cap (for 3 / 4 students)
Supporting Parish	\$2,990	\$4,250	\$8,600 / \$10,160
Non-Parish	\$4,229	\$5,998	\$10,660 / \$12,220

When it comes to affordability, we are committed to making Catholic education available to all families, regardless of income. Our supporting Catholic parishes and generous donors help make this possible. The following options help make tuition more affordable for our families:

- 1. Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP/Choice).** This *free* tuition program requires Wisconsin residency, qualifying income, and qualifying grade level. To apply, MACS students must be entering grades kindergarten, first, or ninth. Current public school students are eligible at *any* grade level. **WPCP application period: February 3 - April 16, 2020.**
- 2. Guardian Angel Tuition Scholarships.** Funded annually from designated donor funds, these scholarships ensure that tuition remains affordable for those families who do not qualify for WPCP but are unable to pay full tuition.
- 3. Referral Program.** Refer a new family and both families receive a 25% tuition discount for each child referred! See enclosed brochure and website for details.

Also available are flexible payment plans through FACTS, a Special Needs Scholarship Program (for students with an IEP/ISP), and the Scrip gift card fundraising/tuition credit program. Please contact our central office if you have any questions or would like to learn more about any of the financial options mentioned. May God bless your family and may He continue to bless McDonnell Area Catholic Schools.

In Christ our hope,

Molly K. Bushman
President

Very Rev. Justin Kizewski
Dean

Timothy Proue
Education Commission Chair

Enclosures: "Why MACS?" and Referral Program brochures