



## Policy Regarding Out-of-Parish Fees for Parochial Schools

[ Owner: Office of Catholic Schools + Vicar General for Parish Life ]

1. The non-Catholic fee per student is \$325 (paid by the parent).
2. The out-of-parish support fee for students from parishes without schools is \$225 per student (paid by parish).
3. The out-of-parish support fee for students from parishes with a Catholic school but choosing to register in another Catholic school is \$225 per student (paid by the parent).
4. The out-of-diocese fee for students who live outside the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux is \$225 per student (paid by the parent).
5. The canonical definition of a parish is territorial; that is, it embraces all the Catholic faithful within certain boundaries. Catholic faithful cannot be eliminated from parish support because they do not participate in Church activities. If, however, a member of the faithful chooses membership in a parish other than one's territorial parish, the parish of registration is responsible for the out-of-parish support fee in accord with the provision below (#6).
6. A family or individual who wishes to become a member of a parish other than their territorial or personal parish must acquire membership in the new parish one full school year before being eligible for the Catholic Elementary School parish support from that parish.
7. Parish Support may be paid in one or two installments on October 15<sup>th</sup> & January 15<sup>th</sup>.
8. School administrators are to ensure verification from the parish of the child's parents requesting parish support for their child attending a Catholic elementary school.
9. For all other policies regarding Catholic Schools, please see the separate *Handbook of Policies for Catholic Schools*.