

**2025-26 REGISTRATION** January 26 – March 15, 2025

Welcome to St. Mary's School! We are looking forward to partnering with you for the education of your children. You are truly following the teaching of the Church when accepting the responsibility of educating your children in the Catholic faith.

### **REGISTRATION FORM**

Please complete the registration form and return it to the school office prior to March 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **REGISTRATION FEE**

You may submit the registration fee with your form, or your EFT account will reflect a \$100 draw on March 15, for each student. This will reserve a spot for your child for the fall. This non-refundable payment will be applied toward your tuition. If we do not receive your registration form, or notification that your child is not returning, we will assume your child is returning and your EFT account will reflect a non-refundable \$100.00 draw per student on March 15.

## TUITION

Tuition can be paid in full by July 31<sup>st</sup> (or for new families registering after July 1<sup>st</sup>, paid 30 days after registering) for a 2% discount on tuition, or paid in 12 monthly EFT payments starting July 1<sup>st</sup>. The paid-in-full discount is available for PK3I through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

Families can significantly decrease their tuition rates by buying Scrip. Currently, 60% of the rebate earned from purchasing Scrip gift cards goes back to the family as a tuition credit.

Rebates earned from June 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> can decrease current year tuition! Families paying their tuition monthly will see their payment decrease starting in February with rebates earned between June and December.

Rebates earned after December 31 will reduce next year's tuition. If the tuition was paid in full up front, the rebates will decrease next year's tuition.

More information about the Scrip program and examples of how it works are explained in the Scrip section.

Shown below are the tuition rates **per family**, based on the number of students enrolled per family. Multiple student discounts are included in the rates shown below. Multiple student discounts will not apply to PK3 children enrolled for 2 or 3 days program. See second table for PK3 enrollment options.

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Number of Students	25/26 Annual	25/26 Annual		
per Family	Tuition/Family	Tuition/Family		
	In-Parish	Out-of-Parish		
1 Child	\$3 <i>,</i> 639	\$5 <i>,</i> 095		
2 Children	\$7,159	\$10,023		
3 Children	\$10,439	\$14,615		
4 Children	\$13,481	\$18,873		
5 Children	\$16,285	\$22,799		

#### **K-8** Tuition

#### PK3 & PK4 Tuition

		24/25 Annual Tuition/Family	24/25 Annual Tuition/Family	Credit to 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade
		In-Parish	Out-of-Parish	1º Graue
PK3	5 days	\$4,515	\$6,321	\$500
	3 days	\$3,045	\$4,263	\$300
	2 days	\$2,032	\$2,845	\$200
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PK4	5 days	\$4,410	\$6,174	\$500
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\*\*Half days are optional for any choice, but tuition will remain at the full day cost.

\*In-parish tuition rates apply to registered members of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, SS. Peter & Paul, and Most Precious Blood Parishes who are participating as a faithful steward of their parish with approval from the pastor.

\*Credit is cumulative (i.e. if enrolled in both PK3 and PK4 total may be up to \$1,000 to 1<sup>st</sup>). Credit to 1<sup>st</sup> grade begins with tuition paid for 23/24 and is not retroactive to prior years. If student does not enroll in 1<sup>st</sup> grade at St. Mary, then St. Mary retains the credit.

### SCRIP REBATES

Families can decrease their tuition rates by participating in our Scrip program. By buying gift cards at face value from St. Mary and using them for gas, groceries, travel, and many other things, you share in the rebate the vendor gives to St. Mary. Spread the word to your family and friends – they can sign up to give their rebate to your family and help you decrease the cost of your tuition! Scrip rebates are shared currently 60% with the family and 40% to St. Mary. An example is shown below of how this can help your tuition rate.

Scrip rebates are only applied to tuition costs. Families paying their tuition by monthly EFT will see their current year's payment decrease starting in February with rebates earned between June and December. If the tuition was paid in full up front, the rebates will decrease next year's tuition. Rebates earned from January through May are applied to next year's tuition. Rebates remaining in the families last year of school at St. Mary are donated back to the school or the tuition assistance fund, or funds may be transferred to their Faith Formation account.

#### HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS:

For example, a family buys a \$100 Woodman's gift card from St. Mary for \$100. They use the gift card to pay for groceries instead of cash/debit. Woodman's gives St. Mary a 5% rebate, or \$5 per \$100 card. St. Mary gives the family \$3 and keeps \$2 to help with operating costs. The more the family buys, the more rebates they accumulate, which are used for paying tuition. Vendors offer various levels of rebates, some over 10%.

#### HOW SCRIP REBATES HELP PAY TUITION

For example, a family bought gift cards that provided St. Mary \$800 in rebates. St. Mary shares 60% of this with the family, or \$480, which is applied to their tuition costs. If they had earned this between June and December, their monthly EFT payments from February to June will decrease by \$96/month.

Families enrolled in the Wisconsin Parental School Choice Program are encouraged to purchase SCRIP and either donate the rebate to another school family, or donate them to the school for our tuition assistance fund, or transfer the funds to their Faith Formation account.

# **OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED AT ST. MARY**

## РКЗ

St. Mary School is only able to accept 10 total students in our 2025-26 PK3 class. Registration for PK3 will open January 26 through February 1 for our existing school families and then will open to our parish families February 2. It is very important to register your child for PK3 before February 4, if you wish for your child to attend St. Mary PK3 in 2025-26. We have received several inquiries from parishioners and families outside of the parish, so we feel these 10 spots will fill quickly.

## AFTERCARE

Aftercare is offered daily from 2:45-6:00pm. The cost will be prepaid at the rate of \$10.00 per day per registered student (family maximum \$20). There is a \$25.00 registration fee, with a \$50.00 maximum per family. Separate registration materials will be provided to interested families. Request information by contacting Yvonne Ziegler 920-202-3454 yziegler@stmarygreenville.org.

## **TUITION ASSISTANCE**

St. Mary is committed to providing a quality, Catholic education to all students regardless of their financial situation, but encourages you to apply for the Wisconsin Parental School Choice Program first. **Financial assistance is available for registered parish families of students in all grades.** Applications for tuition assistance are located on our web site. To apply, a family must complete the application and return it prior to March 15. Strict confidentiality is maintained with the family on any communications. Families need to reapply for tuition assistance annually.

## WISCONSIN PARENTAL SCHOOL CHOICE PROGRAM

St. Mary Greenville participates in the Wisconsin Parental School Choice Program (WPCP). The WPCP allows students who reside in a Wisconsin school district to attend any participating private school if certain eligibility criteria are met and the students are selected in the random drawing conducted by the Department of Public Instruction (DPI). The private school, on behalf of the pupil's parent or guardian, receives payment from the state for each eligible student.

If your family's income places you at or below 220% of the federal poverty guideline, we encourage you to apply for the WPCP. The family income limits are shown below for reference. If the student's parents/legal guardians are married, their income is reduced by \$7,000 when determining income eligibility for the program (i.e. married family income minus \$7,000 is the amount married families compare to the table). Family size includes parent/legal guardians and their children by birth, marriage or adoption that reside in the same household as the student applicant.

Family Size	Yearly Income
2	\$44,968
3	\$56,804
4	\$68,640
5	\$80,476
6	\$92,312

#### WPCP Only Income Limits 220% of the Federal Poverty Level for 2025-26

For each additional member add \$11,836

This program is awarded to families on a lottery basis and covers the cost of the base tuition. For more information on the program and to complete the application, please go to <u>https://dpi.wi.gov/parental-education-options/choice-programs/student-applications</u>. <u>How To Apply:</u> Apply online between February 3 – April 17, 2025. <u>How To Apply:</u> Complete the online application, provide proof of residency and income documentation to the St. Mary School Office. The application and all documents must be received in the St. Mary School Office by April 17, 2024. If selected, this program would follow your child through 12<sup>th</sup> grade if you are able to prove residency. The open application period for the 2025-26 school year is from February 3 – April 17, 2025. The state will not accept any applications after April 17, 2025. For more information, please contact CJ Bast at 920-757-6555 x200 or email at cjbast@stmarygreenville.org.

### **RECRUITMENT INCENTIVE**

We are looking to share the many blessings at St. Mary School with other families. As true disciples, we must go and spread the good news of our faith. What better way to "spread the word" than by inviting more families to join us! Any family that encourages a new family to enroll a student in St. Mary School will receive a \$100 credit on their family's tuition. You truly can be a supportive advocate of our school while sharing your faith. Catholic education continues to be an excellent value for your children. We appreciate the financial investment you are making in your child's education!

## **STATE TAX DEDUCTION**

Remember to take advantage of the tax deduction for parents with children in private schools. Under this program, parents statewide will be able to deduct up to \$4,000 per student in grades K-8, and up to \$10,000 per high school student.

## **COMPANY MATCHING PROGRAMS**

Please check if your employer participates in matching gift programs. Many companies will match gifts employees make to charitable organizations such as St. Mary School. These donations increase third source funding and support the operation of the school.

## **TUITION REFUNDS**

If a student leaves St. Mary, tuition may be pro-rated based on the number of school days attended. All final decisions of whether refunds are given and the amounts are made by the administrator.

## PAST DUE BALANCES

If circumstances occur affecting your ability to pay, please contact our office immediately so we can assist you in setting up a payment plan or applying for Tuition Assistance (see Tuition Assistance section). Otherwise, balances that are past-due may be subject to interest charges at a rate determined by the St. Mary Finance Council. We may use a collection agency for further action on past-due amounts.