Tuition Assistance Opportunities



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FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM SAINT PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

All parish families enrolling their children at Saint Pius X Catholic School should apply for tuition assistance. Since the School opened in 2008, Saint Pius X has consistently given generous, parish financial assistance, and intends to continue to do so. In addition, recent policy changes in the State of Indiana have been put in place to provide state funding (scholarships), to allow school choice options for a significantly large number of families.

INDIANA SCHOOL CHOICE INCOME LIMITS

Income Eligibility Based on Household Size for the 2024-2025 School Year

If your 2023 federal income tax Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) is at or below the income limit for your household size, you qualify for an SGO or School Choice Scholarship for the 2024-2025 school year.

The adjacent table was updated by the State of Indiana in February 2024 for the 2024-2025 school year and will be based on your 2023 federal income tax Adjusted Gross Income (AGI).

Household Size	Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) Limit
1	\$111,444
2	\$151,256
3	\$191,068
4	\$230,880
5	\$270,692
6	\$310,504
7	\$350,316
8	\$390,128
9	\$429,940
10	\$469,752

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE AT SAINT PIUS X INCLUDE:

1. Indiana School Choice Scholarship Program

If a family meets income requirements as outlined in the *Income Eligibility Guidelines* listed above, parents may designate that the state public funding assigned to their child will follow their child to an accredited non-public school (Saint Pius X Catholic School).

2. Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO)

A Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) is a state-approved organization that receives private donations from individuals or corporations for the purpose of giving scholarships to individual students who meet income requirements. An SGO is used as a pathway to a School Choice Scholarship, allowing families to qualify for significant financial savings on tuition. If a child's family income meets the income eligibility requirements as outlined in the *Income Eligibility Guidelines* listed above, \$500 - \$5,000 may be granted through the SGO program. If the child's family continues to meet income requirements, they will qualify for a Choice Scholarship the following year, and through grade 12.

3. Saint Pius X Parish Financial Aid



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The parish has been generous with its tuition support in the past, offering over \$600,000 in financial assistance and tuition discounts to parish families annually. Saint Pius X financial aid is particularly helpful to families that do not qualify for scholarships through a Choice Scholarship or the Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO). Families that, in the past, have received the discount for more than one child in the school should definitely apply for tuition assistance. We believe more families will qualify for financial aid and urge every family to apply.

Preschool – On My Way PreK Grant (OMWPK) and Child Care Development Funds(CCDF)

OMWPK and CCDF funds are awarded to preschool families who meet the income eligibility guidelines. The link to apply and for further information is: https://earlyedconnect.fssa.in.gov/onlineApp/home

TO APPLY FOR TUITION SUPPORT AT SAINT PIUS X

Families wishing to receive any source of tuition assistance will be required to complete the confidential FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment each year. Completing this assessment is the only requirement necessary and will verify how your family best qualifies for each source of tuition assistance. If you will have children enrolled at more than one Catholic school (including high school), only one FACTS application for the 2024-2025 school-year is required by including all children and each school.

FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment, an independent third party, has been hired to assist the parish and will process the applications to prepare an objective report; however, final aid determinations will be made by the parish. All financial information will be kept in the strictest confidence.

All tuition support applications must be completed and submitted online, with 2023 tax return information, by April 1, 2024.

- 1. Complete and submit an Enrollment Packet with the registration fee. (Fee will be refunded if assistance does not meet need.)
- 2. Complete the <u>FACTS</u> Grant and Aid Application online at <u>online.factsmgt.com</u>.
 - Application must include copies of your 2023 IRS Federal Income Tax Return, any supporting tax schedules and copies of all 2023 W-2 and tax statements.
 - Select Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) of Northeast Indiana as a school choice, along with Saint Pius X Catholic School, if qualifying for the SGO.

NOTE: Registration / book fees are refunded if assistance is not awarded or does not meet the financial needs of your family, and the child does not attend.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT CONTACT Questions regarding tuition assistance, SGO and the Indiana Choice Scholarship Program should be directed to Business Manager, Maureen Newsom, by emailing *mnewsom@stpius.net* or by phone (574) 272-8462, ext. 118.

