



North Hills Regional Catholic Elementary Schools



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Dear North Hills Regional Catholic Elementary Schools Families,

As we wrapped up our Catholic Schools Week celebrations last Saturday, the NHRCES Board of Directors and Regional Administrative staff would like to thank our students, parents, faculty, staff, alumni and donors for their incredible commitment to Catholic education.

With the halfway mark for this Academic School Year (ASY) already behind us, we are beginning to formulate our plans for the 2023-2024 school year, which will be our seventh year as a regional Catholic school system. At the heart of everything we do is the goal of creating an environment in which our students will reach their full potential through academic excellence, spiritual development, and acts of service.

Our Board of Directors worked diligently to analyze many factors to create the 2023 - 24 budget. The major factors were: predicted enrollment, teacher salary increases, capital improvements, increased educational costs, subsidy from the Parishes and of course, the rising inflation rates. With all of those factors considered, our Board and Regional Administrative Staff were able to draft a budget that will allow for those increases and improvements to happen while still giving our students the opportunity for faith formation, exceptional academic achievements, outstanding athletic and extracurricular programs, one-to-one technology devices for all our students as well as the numerous service projects that benefit our communities in which our schools reside.

All of the aforementioned factors are used to calculate the predicted per pupil cost. **Our predicted per pupil rate for the 2023-24 ASY is \$8000.** As a point of reference, the average Pennsylvania public schools' per pupil rate is \$16,395.00. The top three local public school districts where our students come from are listed below:

2022 Public School District Per Pupil Rates		
NHRCES Student Population	Public School District	Per Pupil
18.10%	North Allegheny SD	\$17,263.00
12.80%	Shaler SD	\$17,248.00
11.30%	Pittsburgh SD	\$21,462.00

We are confident that you can attest to the extraordinary job that our schools do and what great accomplishments are made with \$8,000 per student.

Attached are the 2023 - 24 Tuition Rates. These rates reflect an increase of approximately 6% per family.

Our schools -- Blessed Francis Seelos Academy, Blessed Trinity Academy, Christ the Divine Teacher Academy, Holy Cross Academy and St. James School – are funded by three revenue sources. Below is an approximate breakdown:

- ❖ Tuition (60%)
- ❖ Fundraising (15%)
- ❖ Subsidies from the Parishes and Diocese (25%).

An important reminder; school families can reduce their tuition costs by participating in our gift card program. Up to 100% of the rebate credit can be applied toward tuition.

Re-enrollment and aid applications for the 2023-24 ASY will again be processed by FACTS Management. You should be receiving an email very soon with information on how to log in and re-enroll your child(ren). Families applying for tuition aid may do so online. Families are asked to log in and apply by March 15, 2023. The application can be found [here](#).

Thank you for your prayerful support of Catholic education. Your commitment is setting a course for extraordinary results for academic excellence, spiritual development, and acts of service to others.

May God continue to bless you and your family,



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