

# St. Pius X Catholic School Tuition Rates and Fees 2025 - 2026

| Number of<br>Students | * <b>Tuition Rate</b><br>(Inactive/Non-Parishioner) | Active Parishioner | Financial Support from St. Pius X Parish |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------|--|
| 1 Student             | \$9,342   | \$6,796            | \$2,546                                  |
| 2 Students            | \$17,646  | \$12,560           | \$5,086                                  |
| 3 Students            | \$24,600  | \$18,321           | \$6,279                                  |
| 4 Students            | \$29,583  | \$24,082           | \$5,501                                  |

<sup>\*</sup>This tuition rate applies to any family that is classified as an "inactive" or "non-parishioner" at St. Pius X.

Tuition was increased 3.8% for the 2025-2026 school year. This will help to offset staff pay increases, addition of a new full-time religion teacher, new curriculum for k-5th grades, and a 12% increase in health care expenses. Along with normal cost of living increase to utilities, maintenance and supplies. The remaining deficit of the budget will be subsidized by the parish directly.

## **Active Parishioner Status**

When your account is opened, your tuition rate is based on your parishioner status. The parish presumes:

- Your family is registered as members of St. Pius X.
- Your family regularly attends Sunday Mass at St. Pius X.
- Supports our parish financially through the use of collection envelopes on a consistent basis or make
  tithing offerings through online giving. If you are enrolled in Online Giving, we still ask that you drop
  empty Sunday envelopes in the collections weekly.
- You have filled out and returned your stewardship pledge card for the current year 2025. (mailed to all households in October each year, or available at the parish office).
- You are being active in the parish's ministries.

Individuals who do not meet the expectations of active parishioners, as outlined above, are classified as "inactive" or "non-parishioners." This designation does not affect the pastoral care they receive from St. Pius X, nor does it restrict their participation in parish ministries, including social, educational, and service activities. However, "inactive" or "non-parishioners" are **not eligible for the parishioner rate tuition at St. Pius X Catholic School or Archdiocesan high schools.** 

### **\$100 Application Fee For New Students**

A non-refundable \$100 application fee is required for each new student. Payment of this fee ensures the application will be processed, but it does not guarantee admission to the school.

#### **Registration Fee**

St. Pius X Catholic School requires a non-refundable registration fee for both returning and new students. This policy ensures families are committed to securing a spot for their child(ren) for the upcoming academic year.

**For returning students**, a \$100 fee is charged through FACTS to secure the student's spot for the next school year.

**For new students,** once the child has been accepted into St. Pius X Catholic School, a \$200 non-refundable registration fee is required in addition to the application fee.

### **Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO)**

**A Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO)** is a state-approved organization that receives private donations for the purpose of giving scholarships to individual students whose family meets the above income requirements. These funds can be used to provide scholarships to families in need of assistance. Again, they are based upon household income and household size. For more information contact us at: <a href="mailto:scholarship@spxparish.org">scholarship@spxparish.org</a>.

Families seeking assistance above the amount of their voucher awards, may receive additional assistance through SGO funds. Private donations make SGO grants possible through the Institute for Quality Education. Families wishing to be considered for an SGO must complete an online Grant and Aid application in their FACTS account. Awards are made annually, so an application must be submitted each school year. **Applications for the 2025-26 school year must be completed by May 9, 2025.** This assistance can also possibly supports those experiencing unexpected financial hardships, such as illness or job loss, helping them to keep their children enrolled at St. Pius X.

### St. Pius X Catholic School Choice Income Eligibility

Indiana School Choice Scholarship Program Eligibility —The Indiana School Choice Scholarship Program (often referred to as 'vouchers') is Indiana tax money awarded to eligible Hoosier students to use toward parochial/private/charter school tuition. A Choice scholarship will approximately cover 75-90% of all your tuition and fees. Please carefully review the income eligibility chart below (2025-2026 chart) and know that this is based on your household adjusted gross income (from your 2024 Federal tax returns, line 11). If you qualify for this program, please email your 2024 federal tax 1040 to <a href="mailto:scholarship@spxparish.org">scholarship@spxparish.org</a> as soon as possible.

Choice Scholarship Program Eligibility Requirements 2025-2026 School Year to be eligible to receive a Choice Scholarship award, a student must satisfy each of the following requirements:

- The student must be at least five (5) years of age and less than 22 years of age on or before October 1 of the school year.
- The student must have legal settlement in Indiana;
- The student must be a member of a household with an annual income of not more than 400% of the amount required for the individual to qualify for the federal free or reduced price lunch program.

Choice Scholarship vary by the school district in which the student resides and are set annually. The estimated 2025-2026 voucher amount for selected school corporations are listed below:

### **Estimated Award Amount School Corporation Names**

| Indianapolis Public School | \$7,330.01 |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Lawrence Township          | \$6,939.30 |
| Washington Township        | \$6,797.23 |
| Hamilton Southeastern      | \$6,118.79 |
| Carmel Clay                | \$6,060.47 |

To apply: please email your 2024

federal tax 1040 to <a href="mailto:scholarship@spxparish.org">scholarship@spxparish.org</a> as soon as possible.

| Household<br>Size | Annual Household Income Limits |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1                 | \$115,810                      |
| 2                 | \$156,510                      |
| 3                 | \$197,210                      |
| 4                 | \$237,910                      |
| 5                 | \$278,610                      |
| 6                 | \$319,310                      |
| 7                 | \$360,010                      |

#### St. Pius X Parish Assistance

For families who do not qualify for a Choice Scholarship or SGO — A limited amount of tuition assistance will be available for registered parish families facing financial difficulties paying the tuition and fees.

We will not have the Disciples Scholarship this year. The Disciples Scholarship was specially designed to support families through last year's increase, with this in mind, the parish will be returning to its normal tuition assistance program.

Before applying for parish financial assistance, you must first apply for Choice and SGO. If you do not qualify for either program, you may submit an email request for assistance. To be considered for financial assistance, families must provide their 2024 federal tax 1040 form. Requests for the 2025-26 school year must be submitted **no later than May 16, 2025.** Your email should include the following information:

- 1. The reason you are requesting financial assistance.
- 3. Whether you tithe to the parish.

- 2. The amount of assistance you are requesting.
- 4. Whether you regularly attend Mass at St. Pius

Please send your request to: <a href="mailto:scholarship@spxparish.org">scholarship@spxparish.org</a>.