

**St. Julie Billiart Parish
Catholic School Educational Grant and
Tuition Payment Policy
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Catholic School Educational Grant Policy

St. Julie Billiart Parish will offer an educational grant to registered families who meet the following criteria and whose children attend St. Peter in Chains Catholic School or in Hamilton, Ohio.

- It is expected that a family seeking a Catholic School Educational Grant will support the life of St. Julie Billiart Parish through good stewardship of time, talent and treasure, and by participating as much as is possible in the total life of the parish-spiritual, ministerial and social. Since our greatest treasure is Word and Sacrament, since our most important time is our time together, and since all of our talents are to be used to give glory and praise to God, the most important test of membership is active attendance and participation in Sunday worship. The proof of this attendance is regular use of offering envelopes. We expect that you use your offering envelope every Sunday. It can be empty of donations if you cannot afford a weekly contribution or if you make your contribution monthly, by mail or through some other mechanism. The envelope, even empty, is a sign to us that you are with us in our parish mission.
- Families who are newly registered at St. Julie Billiart Parish will be charged the out of parish rate for the first trimester of the school year. At the end of the first trimester a review of your eligibility status for the Catholic Educational Grant will be done. If the family is eligible the tuition rate will be adjusted to the discounted parish rate for the second and third trimester.
- Families who are newly registered at St. Julie Billiart Parish who had been actively involved in their previous parish may submit a letter from the pastor of their former parish stating their involvement at that parish. This letter should be mailed to the pastor of St. Julie Billiart Parish. Families should then call to schedule an appointment with the pastor to discuss their eligibility for the discounted parish member rate for the entire school year
- We would ask that all parishioners, especially those families using our parish school, give careful, prayerful consideration to appeals made to the parish. This means filling out a card for our annual stewardship appeal in the fall. This means responding, even if with an expression of regret, to appeals such as the Catholic Ministries Appeal.
- Participation in parish fundraising efforts is important to the continued support of Catholic Education.

[Any family that is unable to meet any of these basic conditions must seek a conference with the pastor so he may make any necessary adjustment. Please do this as soon as problems arise.]

Any family that is unwilling to meet any of the basic conditions will be defined as ineligible for an educational grant and will be charged the full cost per pupil rate. [Fulfillment of these responsibilities during the current school year is used as the criteria for eligibility for the parish discount for the next school year.]

Tuition Payment Policy

St. Peter in Chains School: Tuition payments are due monthly, beginning in August and ending in May. Each family will either receive a tuition payment coupons or choose to have monthly payment made by direct withdrawal from their bank account.

Tuition payment coupons and direct pay authorization forms will be mailed in June. Monthly payments must be paid no later than the 10th day of each month, beginning with August and ending with May. If a payment is late, it is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to notify the pastor or business manager of the problem and to work out a payment schedule. Failure to pay will result in withholding of report cards and/or transfer of records and loss of placement for the next school year.

If a student is withdrawn from school, the family is responsible for the entire tuition and fees through the end of the trimester in which the child was withdrawn.

1. Additional Financial Aid Programs

A. Archdiocese of Cincinnati -One Faith One Hope Campaign Tuition Assistance

This tuition assistance awards will begin with the 2017-2018 school year. Applications will be accepted beginning in December 2016. All families are eligible to apply. Applications are through FACTS Tuition Management Company. Visit www.CatholicBestChoice.org for more information.

B. St. Julie Billiart Parish Tuition Aid

Financial Tuition Aid is available to all **qualifying eligible parish members** who will have children in grades K-8.

Tuition Aid forms will be handled by using the **FACTS** system. This is the same system used by Badin High School and also for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati's One Faith One Hope Tuition Assistance Program. So, if you have students at Badin you only need to fill out one financial aid application. Families applying for financial aid will need to complete an application and submit the necessary supporting documentation to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Early completion of this application is encouraged to ensure your applications is reviewed for the Archdiocese award program. Applicants can apply online by clicking the FACTS link at www.stjulie.net.(Under "Catholic Education Tab"). Should the FACTS fee be a problem for your family, please contact Betty Meiner, parish business manager, at 863-1040. Do not let this fee keep you from applying for aid.