

# ST. FRANCIS SPOTLIGHT...

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**S**t. Francis de Sales School is committed to providing a Roman Catholic, value-centered education for your children. With this in mind, the Parish Finance committee, School Advisory committee, the Pastor, the Principal, and the Parish Accountant, all work together to assure the financial stability of both the parish and the school.

### **Tuition FAQ:**

#### **Where does my tuition go?**

Our school tuition covers the daily operational expenses of the school's education program. These expenses include: salaries for teachers and staff, secular educational materials, religious education books and materials, a portion of our technology expenses, copying and printing, and other miscellaneous operational expenses.

#### **What are fees and what do they include?**

Student fees cover the costs of: consumable workbooks, construction and copy paper, the yearly Diocesan student assessment fee, and Diocesan student health insurance.

#### **Does the parish cover any school costs?**

The parish contributes financially to the school by paying the deficit between tuition income and school expenses.

#### **How can I get tuition assistance?**

The parish is committed to providing Catholic education for all parishioners who desire this faith-based education for their children. To show this commitment, the parish provides a parish grant to all parish families who express a desire for financial assistance. Parents are reminded that in order to qualify for the parish grant, you must be a registered, active member of the parish (i.e. using your envelopes at mass) and complete regular volunteer hours. Non-parish members may be able

to receive a parish grant from their own parishes. Please contact your pastor for more information.

The Diocese of Columbus also offers a Diocesan Tuition Assistance program. This application is made available in January and they are typically due in March. These forms must be submitted by the deadlines set by the Diocese in order to qualify for assistance. This application is also used by the parish to determine parish grants.

If further assistance is needed, please copy your Diocesan Tuition Assistance application and turn it into the Parish Office. Please address the envelope to Father Bob Penhallurick to be considered for additional financial aid. We want to help you provide a Catholic education for your child, but we don't know you need help unless you ask.

#### **What is TRIP and how can it help me?**

The parish is able to purchase gift cards at a discounted rate and make them available to families through the school. These cards are then sold to the families at face value and the discount is then applied to the family's tuition the following school year. If you have any questions related to TRIP, please contact Helen Sage at 345-9874 ext. 200.

#### **Need more information?**

Please call the school office at 345-4049 ext. 2 or the parish office at 345-9874 ext. 200.

