

Tuition Policy 2020-2021

To serve the spiritual needs of our children, Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church operates a grade school which strives to provide the best possible faith formation and academic education. The success of the school also depends upon prudent financial management and stewardship.

Two important factors effected this year's tuition changes:

1. The desire to compensate teachers fairly and above the diocesan pay scale, and
2. A 12% increase in health benefits (medical, vision, and dental) through the diocesan health plan, of which the parish pays two-thirds of the premium for each employee.

The following are the tuition rates and fees for the 2020-2021 School Year.

Number of Children	Participating		Non-Participating	
One Child	\$7,800	\$650/month	\$10,440	\$870/month
Two Children	\$12,600	\$1,050/month	\$16,980	\$1,415/month
Three or More Children	\$17,400	\$1,450/month	\$23,220	\$1,935/month
Registration Fee per child for returning and newly accepted students	\$400	Non-refundable, and may be paid in increments	\$400	Non-refundable, and may be paid in increments
Application Fee per child for new students	\$150	Non-refundable	\$150	Non-refundable
Milk fee (optional)	\$90	Non-refundable	\$90	Non-refundable
Extended Day Program Registration Fee (Optional)	\$50	Non-refundable	\$50	Non-refundable
Transcript Fee (First transcript is free)	\$30		\$30	

1. Tuition is paid in full to the Parish Office prior to the beginning of the school year or is paid through FACTS on a monthly payment plan over a twelve-month period, beginning July, 2020.

Please note: For students who have been accepted and enrolled, but decide to withdraw **before August 15, 2020** a 50% deduction will be applied to tuition refunds. (If a family has paid the full tuition at this time, then the 50% deduction will apply only for two months, and the remainder will be fully refunded.)

For students who have been accepted and enrolled, but decide to withdraw **after August 15, 2020**, only the tuition paid during the month of September or later will be refunded on a prorated basis according to the number of weeks attending during that month of withdrawal. Tuition received for July and August and the completed months of attendance will be forfeited.

2. In the event of a financial crisis, such as unemployment, which prevents making regular tuition payments, a family must contact the Pastor promptly. The parish will do its best to help.
3. **A family seeking tuition assistance for the coming school year must complete a Grant & Aid Application available online at <https://online.factsmtg.com/signin/4F34P>. This application is due to FACTS Grant & Aid by February 28, 2020. No Tuition assistance will be granted without such an application.**
4. Participating Parish Tuition is offered to a family when they live within the parish boundaries, are registered members of Our Lady of Hope Church, and are participating members of the parish community (e.g. supporting parish activities, contributing to its financial needs through the offertory envelope system or Faith Direct, and regularly attending Mass).

Since the religious education and spiritual formation of a child are the primary goals of Our Lady of Hope Catholic School, families who do not regularly attend Mass will not be eligible for Participating Tuition rates or re-enrollment. Families who do not regularly financially support the parish through the offertory envelope system or Faith Direct will not be eligible for Participating Tuition.

Please also note that the whole parish supports the operations of the school; tuition revenue does not cover all of these costs. Therefore, everyone must make the sacrifice of time, talent, and treasure to support the mission of the parish, not only the school.

Families who are active members of another local Catholic Church that does not have a school may be considered for the Participating Parish Tuition rate. A letter attesting to the status of the family must be provided from the Pastor.