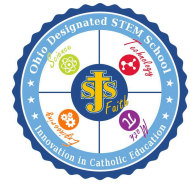


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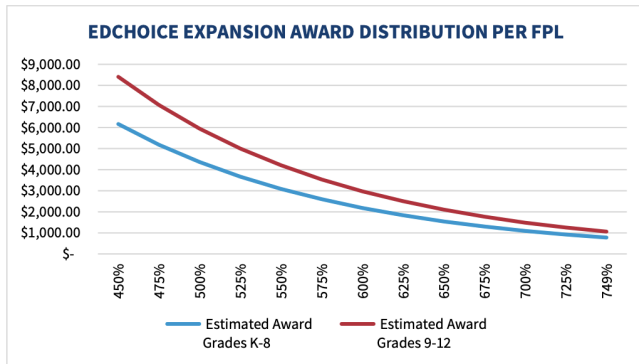
Dear Prospective Families,

Thank you for considering SJS for the 2024-2025 school year! Our open enrollment period begins on January 28th. We look forward to being part of your child's elementary education.

The full tuition rate for 2024-2025 is \$6165. St. Joseph Parish is committed to providing a Catholic education to all who desire it and we know that our families contribute to the best of their abilities. Below are some of the financial aid options we have in place to help families with tuition costs.

State Scholarship Options:

- **EdChoice** - This is a FULL TUITION state scholarship that is based on your school district of residency. Most students living in the Lorain City School district or the Elyria City School district are eligible. The application period opens on 2/1/24. Applications can be obtained from the school office or the Ohio EdChoice website..
- **EdChoice Expansion Scholarship**- Up to a FULL TUITION state scholarship that is based on family income. ALL STUDENTS that aren't already receiving the traditional scholarship listed above may apply for an EC Expansion scholarship. Full scholarships are awarded for income up to 450% of the federal poverty guidelines (approx. \$135,000 for a family of 4). After that, scholarships are awarded on a sliding scale. EVERYONE who applies will get something, with the lowest award amount being \$616. The application period opens on 2/1/24. Applications can be obtained from the school office or the Ohio EdChoice website.



- **Saint Joseph School Angel Scholarship Fund** - Must complete a simple application requesting to be considered for ASF. All applications must be completed by March 15th for consideration. Awards from the Angel Scholarship Fund will be made no later than June 1, 2024. Applications are available in the school office.
- **Parish Life Scholarship** - Award Amount up to \$2000: Based upon the remaining tuition balance - This scholarship is available to those families who are registered at Saint Joseph Parish, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, or any area Catholic parish that is not already associated with a Catholic school and who regularly participate in the life of the Parish.
- **School Funded Tuition Assistance**- Must complete a simple application to indicate your interest in school funded tuition assistance. All applications must be completed by March 15th for consideration. Awards for needs-based financial assistance will be made no later than June 1, 2024.
- **DTA (Diocesan Tuition Assistance)** - Separate needs-based assistance may be available through the Diocese of Cleveland through the Diocese of Cleveland application process. Please fill out a Grant & Aid application through the FACTS Management system to indicate your interest in Diocesan Tuition Assistance. Families applying by March 15th of the current year will receive priority.

In order to apply for the 24/25 school year, please:

- complete the attached registration form
- fill in the blank tuition agreement form with pertinent information at the top
- Mark on the form if you will be applying for a Traditional EdChoice Scholarship (Lorain or Elyria schools) or an EdChoice Expansion Scholarship (everyone else)
- Check any additional forms of assistance for which you would like to be considered

Return the registration form, preliminary tuition agreement, and \$75 registration fee to the school/school office. Only registrations with a paid registration fee will be accepted.

If you have any questions, I am happy to help you! You can contact me via email at amy.makruski@sjis-amherst.org, via phone at 440-988-4244 x215, or just stop by the office and see me!

Sincerely,

Amy Makruski
Principal