THANK YOU, PARISHES AND PARISHIONERS

Bishop Baraga Catholic School

Fiscal Year 2025-26 | July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

To the faithful of Queen of Peace, Immaculate Conception, SS. Mary and Joseph, American Martyrs, and all of our supporting parishes:

Thank you. Bishop Baraga Catholic School exists because of you. Your gifts, given individually and through your parish, reach our classrooms every day and help us form young people in faith and in learning. We simply could not keep raising up the next generation of disciples without your support, and we are grateful for every prayer, every offering, and every act of generosity.

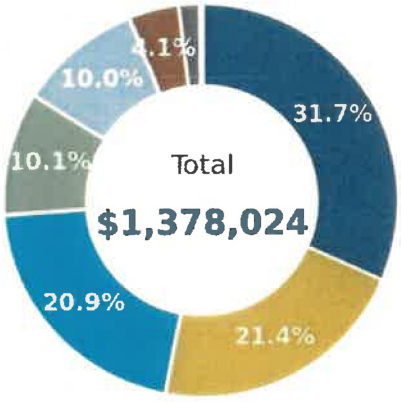
Last year at a glance

$1.38M
total revenue, up 18.2% over last year

$1.08M
operating expenses, up 7.6%

68%
of all spending goes to our teachers and staff

Here is where last year's support came from. No single source carries the school. Tuition is the largest at about 32%, while parish subsidies and endowment and investment income together provide more than 42% of all revenue. That is your parish, and the generations of benefactors who came before you, at work.



- Tuition and Fees $436,246 (31.7%)
- Parish Subsidies $294,525 (21.4%)
- Endowment and Investment Income $287,385 (20.9%)
- Donations and Grants $139,259 (10.1%)
- Fundraising and Events $137,864 (10.0%)
- Diocesan Support $55,988 (4.1%)
- Scrip Program (net) $24,342 (1.8%)
- Other Income $2,415 (0.2%)

Our teachers and staff are the heart of this school, and about two thirds of every dollar spent goes to them. The rest keeps our building warm, our classrooms stocked, and our tuition assistance available to families who need it.

Thank you for believing in Catholic education. God bless you and your families.

The Finance Council of Bishop Baraga Catholic School

FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 SUMMARY

Bishop Baraga Catholic School Financial Summary

A condensed look at the school's year, drawn from the Statement of Activity for July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Where Our Support Comes From

Revenue	FY 2025-26	% of total	Change vs. last year
Tuition and Fees	$436k	31.7%	+17.4%
Parish Subsidies	$295k	21.4%	+7.4%
Endowment and Investment Income	$287k	20.9%	+53.7%
Donations and Grants	$139k	10.1%	-15.3%
Fundraising and Events	$138k	10.0%	+21.7%
Diocesan Support	$56k	4.1%	+2.1%
Scrip Program (net)	$24k	1.8%	n/m
Other Income	$2k	0.2%	-19.5%
Total revenue	**$1.38M**	100%	**+18.2%**

Revenue grew 18.2% over the prior year. The biggest driver was endowment and investment income, up more than 50%, followed by tuition and fees (17.4%, driven mostly by increased enrollment) and fundraising (+21.7%). Parish subsidies rose 7.4%. Donations and grants were down 15.3% from a strong prior year.

How the School Invests Its Resources

Expenses	FY 2025-26	% of total	Change vs. last year
Salaries and Wages	$548k	49.0%	+8.2%
Payroll Taxes and Benefits	$209k	18.7%	+15.9%
Administration and Operations	$82k	7.4%	+4.8%
Tuition Assistance and Discounts	$70k	6.3%	+30.4%
Facilities and Occupancy	$68k	6.0%	-37.5%
Instruction and Classroom	$61k	5.4%	+84.3%
Capital Outlay	$36k	3.2%	-91.8%
Fundraising Event Costs	$35k	3.2%	-7.7%
Student Activities and Transportation	$9k	0.8%	+32.5%
Total expenses	**$1.12M**	**100%**	**-22.5%**

Operating expenses (excluding capital outlay) were $1.08M, up 7.6%. Salaries, payroll taxes, and benefits make up roughly two thirds of all spending. To pay our teachers a just wage, one that is competitive with public schools in our area, that share will need to grow. Supporting teacher salaries is the focus of an upcoming campaign, and we look forward to sharing more soon. Capital outlay fell sharply because the prior year included a one-time boiler system replacement for the school's heating system of roughly $429k. Capital spending varies widely from year to year and is not a measure of ongoing operating cost.

Scrip: Everyday Purchases, Lasting Support

The scrip program earned a net gain of $24k this year. Families buy gift cards for groceries, fuel, and restaurants at face value, and the school keeps the retailer's rebate. It costs families nothing extra, and it adds up.

To every parishioner, parent, benefactor, teacher, and friend: thank you. Your generosity is what makes Bishop Baraga Catholic School possible.