Dear St. Benedict Family,

As you are preparing to register your student at St. Benedict Catholic School for the 2020/2021 school year, we wanted to take this opportunity to provide our families with information about our fundraiser for next year. The School Board Members have determined that we will not have the St. Benedict Catholic School $5,000 Ticket Raffle. In lieu of the raffle, a $100.00 technology fee, which is required for all families, will be part of the registration process. The technology fee will go directly to the costs associated with upgraded and new technology to enhance your child’s education. Registration will not be complete until the technology fee is paid.

We look forward to continue working in partnership with you in the 2020-2021 school year!

God bless,

Mrs. Oriti
St. Benedict Catholic School  
2020-2021  
Tuition Worksheet

Name of person responsible for tuition: ____________________________
Mother's Name: ____________________________ Father's Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________ Address: ____________________________
City/State/Zip: ____________________________ City/State/Zip: ____________________________
Home Phone: ____________________________ Home Phone: ____________________________
Work Phone: ____________________________ Work Phone: ____________________________
Cell Phone: ____________________________ Cell Phone: ____________________________
Email: ____________________________ Email: ____________________________
Name of Parish: ____________________________

Signature of person responsible for tuition: ____________________________

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TUITION AMOUNT: Per child $4,650.00  
Participating Parishioners $3,975.00  
Technology Fee is per family Pre-K to 8 ($100.00 non-refundable)

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2. $100.00

3. Total Balance Due $____________

TECHNOLOGY FEE:  
All families are required to pay the Technology Fee.  
Registration will not be complete until this fee is paid.

Please indicate the payment option you prefer by placing an "X" in the appropriate box below.

☐ OPTION A: Pay, in full, all tuition directly to St. Benedict Catholic School by July 1, 2020. (Line #3)
☐ OPTION B: Finance the entire amount of tuition with a local lending institution. (Line #3)
☐ OPTION C: Make a partial payment by July 1, 2020 directly to St. Benedict Catholic School and finance the balance with a local lending institution. (Line #3)
☐ OPTION D: My child is enrolled in the EdChoice Scholarship Program.
☐ My Child will NOT attend St. Benedict Catholic School for the 2020-2021 school year.

Parent/Guardian Signature (if NOT returning) ____________________________  

Regardless of the payment option you choose, this form MUST be returned to St. Benedict Catholic School with the Technology Fee NO LATER THAN March 1, 2020 in order to process your child’s registration.
Dear Parents:

Catholic Schools Week will soon be here, and it is the perfect time to reflect on the reasons you are sending your child to St. Benedict Catholic School. The gift of a formal Catholic education requires sacrifice, and both the St. Benedict Finance Board and your Pastors wholeheartedly commend you for accepting the challenge of ensuring that your child will grow in the knowledge of the Catholic faith within our school.

The Catholicity of our school is of prime importance to us, and is based on disseminating the teachings of Jesus Christ to all of our students so that we can support your work at home in continuing to hand on the Catholic faith. We do this in the following ways:

- We hire good role models who not only believe in the values handed on to us by Jesus, but also practice these values in their personal lives. This helps to ensure that your child will experience a religious atmosphere both in the school building and in his or her classroom.
- Each day begins and ends with prayer, and includes daily religion instruction as well as special prayer services that commemorate both religious and civic events.
- Students attend Mass weekly, and have the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the seasons of Advent and Lent.
- We encourage our students to practice the spiritual and corporal works of mercy on a regular basis, and help them to do this by including these ‘works of mercy’ in our activities throughout the year.

The cost of operating St. Benedict Catholic School is more than $1,813,000 per year. We have tried to balance this cost in light of the financial ability of our school parents who wish to send their children. With this in mind, the Finance Board and your Pastors are endeavoring to make St. Benedict Catholic School affordable to our school families. Please find the tuition schedule for the 2020-2021 academic year and tuition assistance information in the tables below.

**The St. Benedict School Tuition is $4,650.00 for each child.**

* St. Benedict Catholic School families who desire financial assistance should apply by using FACTS. The Diocese of Cleveland provides tuition assistance through this program. Applications are available in the St. Benedict School Office and on our website at www.stbenedictohio.org

* St. Benedict Catholic School parents are also encouraged to contact the school office to see if you qualify for any tuition help available through Ed Choice Funds. There are deadlines for all of these programs, so please consider completing applications even if you are not immediately in need at this point. It is better to have an application on file than to discover later that you are in need of financial help because of new challenges.

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Participating Parishioner Tuition

Pastors are endeavoring to make St. Benedict Catholic School more affordable to the participating parishioners of St. Martin of Tours Church, St. Monica Church, St. Therese Church and SS Peter and Paul Church. Please find the tuition schedule for the 2020-2021 academic year and tuition assistance information in the tables below. The listed totals are for Participating Parishioners* of our parishes. It is our hope that families that require financial assistance, will make use of the financial aid that is available from both the Diocese of Cleveland and from our parishes. Last year there was some confusion about who could be a candidate for the “participating parishioner” rate; so the pastors are asking that any family requesting this rate contact their parish and ask for a letter which will verify that they are “participating parishioners”. This letter will be sent to the family requesting this rate to be added to their registration papers for the next academic school year.

Tuition for Participating Families from St. Martin of Tours, St. Monica, St. Therese and SS Peter and Paul Parishes:

- 1st child - $3,975
- 2nd child (20% discount) $3,180
- 3rd child (40% discount) $2,385
- 4th child (60% discount) $1,590

Participating Parishioners are encouraged to contact their own parish for a Parishioner Needs Fund application regarding assistance from their own Parish, and also contact their respective Pastor for more information about this initiative.

*We have used the term Participating Parishioners throughout this document. A Participating Parishioner is defined as a family that attends Weekend Mass on a regular basis (submits a Sunday envelope that indicates Mass attendance regardless if a contribution is made) and a family that is an active participant in the life of the Parish. The individual parish office will verify the Participating Parishioner status.

We hope this information will be a valuable tool as you plan your child’s education. On behalf of our parishes, we look forward to seeing you during Catholic Schools’ Week. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours in Christ,

Father Luigi Miola
President

Father Thomas Haren
Treasurer
Admission Process

School Tours
Tours of the school are available throughout the year and are scheduled on an individual basis. Please contact the School Office at 216.662.9380 to make an appointment.

Initial documentation
To begin the application process, please submit the following forms/documents on behalf of each applicant.

1. Application for Enrollment
2. Special Services Form
3. Copy of student's Birth Certificate
4. Copy of student's Baptismal Certificate (if applicable)
5. Copy of most recent report card (Grades 1-8)
6. Letter of Recommendation
7. Release of Records Form
8. Copy of custody/guardian papers (if applicable)
9. Copy of all standardized test scores: MAP, IOWA, CogAT, Air-TIDE (Grades 1-8)

Review Process
The admission team will review the application once all of the above documentation has been submitted. To be considered for admission we look for students who are successful in their current academic environments; who conduct themselves in a manner fitting with the St. Benedict Catholic School behavioral standards; and whose parents/guardians are invested in the education process. Applicants meeting these criteria will be invited to continue in the application process with the following steps

Principal Meeting
The school principal, Mrs. Lisa Oriti, schedules a personal meeting and tour with each applicant and family, during which you can ask questions and get an in-depth look at the opportunities a St. Benedict Catholic School education can offer your child.

Screening
Applicants for Grades 2 through 8 take a grade level entrance assessment specifically designed to assess aptitude in Language Arts and Math.

Student Visit
Students applying for Grades 2 to 8 spend a day shadowing in the classroom of their peers. This enables the incoming students to get a feel for life at St. Benedict Catholic School, and allows the teachers to get a sense of the new student's personality and learning style. Generally, the student completes the grade level assessment (described above) during the same visit.

Enrollment Decision
After the student has completed the above steps, the application will be evaluated and an enrollment decision will be made. As a Catholic school, our priority is to first select qualified candidates of Catholic faith. It is possible that a student may be put on a wait list for classes that are at or near capacity, and parish families have first priority in cases where class space is limited.

Registration
If your child is accepted, you will receive a packet of registration materials that must be completed and submitted to the school office, along with a $100 registration fee, to secure your space.
Special Service Form

Name of Student

Current Grade Level ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Has your child ever received services for, been tested for, or identified as having any of the
special services listed below?

_____ No, my child has never been identified for any special services
_____ Yes, my child has been evaluated or received special services in the following area(s):

Please check any and all that apply.

_____ Hearing Difficulty
_____ Learning Disability (MFE or IEP)
_____ Speech Language Pathology
_____ Special Education Program
_____ Specialized Educational Testing
_____ Accommodation or Service Plan
    (504 or SEGO Plans)
_____ Gift Program
_____ Other, please specify:

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Signature of Parent/Guardian ___________________________ Date ___________________________

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RECOMMENDATION LETTER FOR ENROLLING STUDENT
Grades 2-8

Instructions
Please print your name in the space below and give this form and an addressed and stamped envelope to your current principal or one of your current teachers.

Applicant Last Name

First Name

Name of Current School

To the parent/guardian: Please read the following statement and sign below.
I acknowledge that I waive my rights to read the confidential teacher and principal recommendations.

Name of Parent/Guardian

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

This student has applied for admission to St. Benedict Catholic School for grade ______.

Please complete this form, sign and date it, and return to:
Mrs. Lisa Oriti
St. Benedict Catholic School
13633 Rockside Road
Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125

To be completed by the student’s current principal or teacher.

In what subject(s) do you teach this candidate?

How long and in what other contexts have you known this student?
Please rate the applicant in the following areas in relation to his/her peers, and in relation to others you have known in this age group.

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Please comment on the following:
Does the student have particular strengths and weaknesses of which we should be aware?

Academic, behavioral, or learning issues?

What adjectives best describe this student?

Additional comments?

I recommend this student for admissions to St. Benedict Catholic School

__without reservation  __strongly  __mildly  __with reservations  __not at all

Signature ___________________________ Date ______________

Name (Please Print) ___________________________ Title ___________________________

Years of administrative/teaching experience __________________

May we contact you if we have additional questions regarding this student? ___ Yes ___ No

School Phone Number: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

We appreciate your time and effort in completing this evaluation. Your insight will help us gain a better understanding of the applicant as a student and individual.

St. Benedict Catholic School is a Catholic, coeducational day school serving pre-school through grade 8. Our mission is to provide an excellent Catholic education rooted in the Gospel message of peace, acceptance, understanding and service to others for all children in our community.
Permission to Release School Records

By my (our) signature/s below, I (we) as parent/s or legal guardian/s of

(Name of Student) whose date of birth is (birthdate)

give permission to the principal of (School Name) School to release

school records for (Name of Student) to (Name of School)

Records requested:

[ ] Grades and Academic Records
[ ] Psychological Assessments and Records
[ ] Disciplinary Records
[ ] Medical Records
[ ] Testing Results and/or evaluations

Parent Signature ________________________________ Legal Guardian Signature ________________________________

Date ____________ Date ____________

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