



Saint Joan of Arc Catholic School

Tuition for the 2020-2021 school year has been established as a result of accomplishing several important financial goals. These are outlined below, followed by considerations made when determining tuition.

Goals:

1. Pay teachers on the 2020-2021 Archdiocesan teacher pay scale.
2. Create smaller class sizes at as many grade levels as possible - as parents have requested.
3. Reduce the percentage of tuition breaks for multi children.
4. Equalize the multi-child discount between parishioners and non-parishioners as required providers of choice scholarships.

Considerations:

- We viewed the tuition of several similar and local schools. (Saint Joan of Arc is still more affordable than her competitors.)
- We reviewed the cost to educate a student in the local public school systems. This cost ranges from a low of \$9,835 per student (Hamilton Southeastern) to \$19,995 per student (MSD Washington Township.) IPS publishes a cost of \$14,414 per student.
- We prioritized reducing the multi-child discount, where there is a disproportionate tuition income. This affects parishioner families with three children the most.
- We prioritized equalizing the two tuition scales for parishioners and non-parishioners to comply with choice scholarship requirements and to amend the disparity between the two.
- We discussed increasing overall tuition by 4% to 5% but decided on a 3% increase to accomplish the other goals this year.
- We reviewed school administrator goals for staffing.
- We recognized that two and three child parishioner families are going to have the largest increase.
- As a result, we discussed if people have concerns about employment and financial stability, we will invite those individuals to contact us and see if we can work together. Some may qualify for SGO monies.