



SAINT MARY

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WELCOME RETURNING SAINTS

February 2019

TUITION OFFICE

Dear Parents,

Funding for education continues to be problematic in the State of New Jersey. In spite of this, the Saint Mary Parish School Board will maintain a budget that retains all special area subjects, continues the upgrade of our facility and keeps class size manageable. A quality academic program that is fiscally responsible to our parents is paramount as we develop our spending plan for the future.

There are many fixed costs in a school budget and our discretionary spending is quite limited. Increased costs for support services, employee health care and benefits and the debt service required to complete facility upgrades presents a serious challenge. For FY20 the cost of education per pupil at Saint Mary School will be \$7,000 yet we will charge a family with one child only \$5,975.00. This three-percent (3%) increase in tuition leaves a difference of \$1,025.00 per student.

With our academic and facility objectives and the difference in tuition, we will need to increase revenues. Our revenue sources are donations, federal and state funding, parish subsidies, tuition and the SCRIP Program. We will continue our commitment to managing tuition costs by requiring all families to participate in the SCRIP Program raising \$300 in rebates per family. **Families may opt-out of the SCRIP Program by paying the \$300 per family by May 1, 2018.**

Families with multiple children will continue to receive a discount through the graduated tuition schedule. It is noteworthy that Saint Mary School is one of the few schools in our geographic area that retains this concept.

FINANCIAL AID AND TUITION PAYMENT PLANS

Families may apply for Financial Aid by completing the online FACTS application at online.factsmgt.com/aid. In addition, FACTS will be managing tuition payments. All payment options will be made through FACTS whether they are one (annual), two (semi-annual) or twelve (monthly) payments. For more information about either program, please visit our website, at www.stmaryes.org under the *Admissions* tab, *Tuition/Financial Aid*.

Please be sure to submit your Tuition Agreements with required fees by **May 1, 2019**. After that date, all registrants will be accommodated on a first come, first serve basis, adhering to our maximum class size policy. Thank you for continuing to choose Saint Mary School for a faith-filled, academically excellent education.

Sincerely,



Mr. Craig Palmer
Principal

cc: Mrs. Peggy Dolan
Tuition Officer

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TUITION AGREEMENT – PLEASE RETURN BY MAY 1, 2019

Family Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Home Phone

NAME OF CHILD(REN)

GRADE IN 2019-2020

TUITION PLAN 2019-2020*

Saint Mary School is a parish school that operates under the direction of the Diocese of Trenton. Diocesan parish schools may offer reduced tuition to qualifying students. Guidelines define qualifying students as those whose families:

1. Are registered in the parish.
2. Attend Sunday mass.
3. Contribute to the church using parish envelopes.

It is assumed that “Registered Parishioners of St. Mary Parish” meet the stated guidelines. Saint Mary Parish is grateful for all good stewards in the parish and relies not only on financial contributions, but also the generous donations of talent by members of our extended family. Please bring to our attention any unique talents and skills you are willing to place at the disposal of our parish community.

If applicable, please check below and circle the appropriate tuition rate.

<input type="checkbox"/> Parishioners of Saint Mary Parish	One Child	\$5,975.00 *
	Two Children	\$10,395.00
	Three Children	\$14,215.00
	Four Children	\$16,485.00

**Please Note: These tuition amounts DO NOT reflect participation in SCRIP Program raising \$300 in rebates.*

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TUITION AGREEMENT Continued.

TUITION PAYMENT PLAN OPTIONS *Please indicate your payment plan.*

* One (Annual) Payment Due: June 30, 2019

* Two (Semi-Annual) First Half Payment Due: June 30, 2019 – Second Half Payment Due: January 31, 2020

* 12 (Monthly) Payments

All Tuition Payment Plan Options are made through the FACTS Payment Plan service.

All families must set up a plan on the FACTS website at <https://factsmgt.com/parent-resources/payment-plans>

FACTS Payment Plans rollover year-to-year with an Annual Tuition Fee of \$50 per family due May 1 of each year.

FAMILY FEES

Registration Fee(*non-refundable*) *\$100 (Single Child) *\$200(Family)

\$300 SCRIP Opt-Out **OR** Agree to Raise \$300 in SCRIP Rebates

\$50 FACTS Tuition Annual per family(*non-refundable*)

All Fees are due by May 1, 2019

\$_____ Total Fee Amount *Please send a separate check, payable to Saint Mary School, for Fees and Scrip (if opting out).*

TUITION REFUND POLICY (Based on 100% of the 2019-2020 Tuition) If a student is withdrawn from Saint Mary School the amount due Saint Mary School will be based on a ten month basis. For example if a student is withdrawn in December 2019, four-tenths of the total will be due.

Parent/Guardian Signature (required)

Date

Student(s) Family Name (please print)

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SAINT MARY SCHOOL SCRIP CONTRACT 2019-2020

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Parents/Guardians:

To help cover school operating costs, yet maintain reasonable tuition rates, Saint Mary School requires all families to participate in our Scrip Program, raising a minimum of \$300 per family in rebate dollars throughout the 2019-2020 school year. As of May 1, 2020, any balance less than \$300, would be paid before enrolling in 2020-2021 school year.

The Saint Mary School Scrip option allows families to fulfill this obligation with some additional planning, but no additional cost. To learn more, visit <https://www.shopwithscrip.com>. Any questions regarding the Scrip Program or new family enrollment may be directed to our Scrip Coordinator (732) 671-0129.

Families may opt out by submitting a check for \$300, payable to Saint Mary School to the Main Office, Attention: Scrip Coordinator by **May 1, 2019**.

Thank you for your participation as we continue to provide a Saint Mary School education for your child(ren) that is faith-filled and academically excellent.

Sincerely,

Mr. Craig Palmer
Principal
Saint Mary School

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SAINT MARY SCHOOL SCRIP CONTRACT 2019-2020

I understand that I am entering into a contractual agreement with Saint Mary School, and that I am obligated to raise \$300 through either **OPTION A:** the Saint Mary School Scrip Program or **OPTION B:** the submission of a check in the amount of \$300, payable to Saint Mary School by May 1, 2019 to the Main Office, Attention: Scrip Coordinator.

_____ **OPTION A:**

I agree to raise \$300 through the Saint Mary School Scrip Program over a 12-month period beginning May 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020. If I haven't enrolled in the program and generated any Scrip rebate revenue by October 31, 2019, I agree to submit a check for \$150, equal to one-half the year's obligation, at that time. If I fail to raise the total \$300 I understand that I will be responsible for the balance before registering for the 2020-2021 school year.

_____ **OPTION B:**

I choose not to participate in the Saint Mary School Scrip Program at this time. I will pay the contracted amount of \$300 in full to Saint Mary School by **May 1, 2019** to the Main Office, Attention: Scrip Coordinator.

This Saint Mary School Scrip Contract must be signed and submitted to the Main Office by May 1, 2019 Attention: Scrip Coordinator. YOUR CHILD(REN) WILL NOT BE ENROLLED UNTIL THIS CONTRACT IS RECEIVED.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

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