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Dear Parent/Guardian at St. Cecilia School,

I invite you to apply for tuition assistance through the “Our Faith, Our Children, Our Future” School Tuition Organization (STO) for the 20-21 school year. Families whose taxable income is under 400% of the federal poverty rate may qualify. The priority deadline to apply is **April 15, 2020**.

Families must complete an online application which can be found at online.factsmgt.com/aid. Families must also upload their completed 2019 federal tax returns. More information about income guidelines and application requirements can be found at ourfaithsto.org/faqs-for-parents. Only one application needs to be completed per family. The \$31.00 family application fee is being paid for by our school.

The “Our Faith” STO program has provided essential support to our students for the past 14 years. This program would not be possible without the generous donors who contribute to this tax credit program each year. These donors not only receive a 65% Iowa tax credit but make the blessing of a Catholic school education possible for thousands of students across the Archdiocese of Dubuque. For more information about this program or how you can make a donation that will directly impact the lives of local students, go to www.ourfaithsto.org.

If you have any questions about the application process or need assistance completing your application please contact FACTS at #1-866-412-4637 or the school office at #515-232-5290. We will be hosting help sessions on March 10 from 3:30-5:30 p.m., March 11 from 2:30-4 p.m. and March 12 from 9-11:30 a.m. In addition to STO, St. Cecilia School has local tuition assistance funds. In order to be eligible for these funds, a FACTS application must be completed-and/or-detail whatever your local procedures are for local tuition assistance.

Yours in Christ,

Sara E. Rooney
Principal



Saint Cecilia SCHOOL

How to Make Tuition Affordable

#1

Determine base rate from
St. Cecilia Tuition Sheet

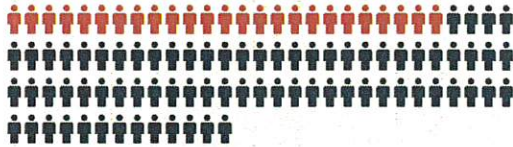


Student Tuition Organization Aid

About STO

- All students, Catholic and Non-Catholic, are eligible
- Over \$5 million awarded in Archdiocese of Dubuque last year
- Need assessed by FACTS Management
- Apply online or via mail from January 1 to April 15

Last year, 25% of our families received tuition assistance, for a total of \$61,575.



#2

If You Qualify,
Please Apply

Number in
Household

STO Eligibility
Income Cap

2	\$68,960
3	\$86,880
4	\$104,800
5	\$122,720
6	\$140,640
7	\$158,560
8	\$176,480

Other Assistance Sources

#3

Parish Tuition
Assistance



After applying for STO, if you need further assistance, apply to the Parish Tuition Fund.

#4

Archdiocese of
Dubuque Kucera Grant

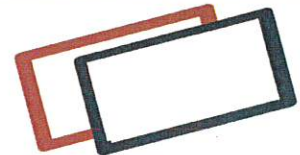


St. Cecilia follows guidelines from the Archdiocese of Dubuque for appropriation of these funds. This grant is received following the start of the school year.

#5

Scrip

Purchase gift cards for groceries, gas, dining, etc. A percentage (2-18%) goes to the school, and half of that amount is deducted from your tuition account.



To schedule a personalized, confidential tuition consultation,
call our office at 515-232-5290.