The Catholic Education Endowment Trust
Providing opportunities for scholarship assistance in the various ministries of Catholic Education within the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland.

The 21st Annual

Bishops’ Scholarship for Excellence

Application for the 2020-2021 School Year

Eight $3,000 Scholarships to current 10th and 11th grade students applicable to their 11th & 12th grade years respectively

Sixteen $1,000 scholarships to current 6th & 7th grade students applicable to their 7th & 8th grade years respectively

The Catholic Education Endowment Trust (CEET) was established in 1976 by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland to promote Catholic education, provide support for religious programs, and to offer tuition aid and scholarships to families with financial need who desired a Catholic education for their children. As part of this initiative, CEET started the Bishops’ Scholarship to encourage Excellence in Catholic education.
Guidelines/Criteria

- The family is required to complete a FACTS Grant and Aid application for 2020-2021 to determine need; https://online.factsmgt.com/aid
- If a family has more than one child applying for the Bishops’ Scholarship for Excellence, a separate application must be completed for each child.
- The completed Bishops’ Scholarship for Excellence application should include:

1. **An essay written by the student, (minimum of two pages/maximum of three pages, typed and double-spaced, and no staples please) on the topic:**

   St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Jose Sanchez del Rio, St. Martin de Porres,
   St. Maria Goretti, St. Pier Giorgio Frassati, St. Therese of Lisieux

   The above saints began their journey to sainthood at a very early age. Some faced scorn and endured hardships, even death. Their pious and faith-filled lives served as an inspiration to those around them and continue to provide a spiritual role model for the youth of today.

   Research one or more of the saints listed above, describe in detail at least three of their characteristics that inspire you and how you would use that inspiration to make a positive impact on the people you encounter every day.

2. **The student’s academic transcript or current report card attached.**
3. **A brief written recommendation e.g., from a teacher, guidance counselor, or a parish staff member (not a family member) on page 4.**
4. **Principal comments and the principal’s signature on page 5.**

- Applications must be returned to the student’s principal by March 1, 2020
- Principals must submit all applications to the Office of Catholic Education by March 15, 2020.
- Recipients will receive a letter by mail if a Bishops’ Scholarship for Excellence has been awarded. A copy of the letter will also be sent to the student’s principal

**Save the date:**

All 2020-2021 recipients, their parents, principal, and pastor will be invited to an awards ceremony/luncheon which takes place on June 22, 2020. Invitations will accompany award letters.

Completed applications are to be mailed to: The Office of Catholic Education
Attn: Cindy Williams
1404 East 9th Street
Cleveland, OH 44114
Application for the Bishops’ Scholarship for Excellence

Student-Applicant:

Last Name       First Name

Home Address:

City/State/Zip:

Parent/Guardian:

Phone:___________ Email:__________________

Student’s Grade in 2019-2020:____________ FACTS Grant & Aid application ID#:__________________

School Student Attends:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Parish Name:

Pastor Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

List any extracurricular activities you are involved in at school, at your parish, or in your community. Feel free to list any additional personal factors including leadership or notable achievements:

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*Please use another sheet if you need more space to write.
Recommendation: (please print)

By: ____________________________________________

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*Please verify that this application is accurately completed and that all documentation is included:

☐ Application
☐ Student’s essay
☐ Academic Transcript/or most recent report card
☐ Recommendation
☐ Principal Comments

**Please do not staple any papers together.

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Principal’s Signature      Date