



Dear Parents and Guardians,

January 2025

We hope Christmas was blessed and the New Year is off to a great start. As we prepare for the 2025-2026 academic year, we want to take a moment to thank you for your continued support and partnership in providing the highest quality Catholic education for your child. Your commitment to our mission and the trust you place in us to educate and nurture your child is at the heart of everything we do.

After careful consideration and planning with our School Board, we are writing to inform you of the **proposed tuition rates** for the upcoming school year. While we understand that any increase in tuition is a significant decision, we want to share the rationale behind this adjustment and how it supports the long-term sustainability and excellence of your child's education.

We have determined that a modest tuition increase will be necessary to support three critical areas of investment:

1. **Upgraded Educational Resources:** To ensure our students have access to the best possible learning tools, we will continue to invest in upgraded textbooks and technology. This year, we are focusing on History/Social Studies textbooks and further enhancing technology resources to meet the evolving needs of our students. In addition, our PreK program will continue to receive new resources this year specifically in math. These improvements are essential to keeping our curriculum current and engaging.
2. **Increased Teacher Salaries:** At St. Francis Xavier School, our dedicated educators are at the heart of what makes our community a special place for learning and growth. To continue attracting and retaining highly qualified Catholic teachers, we are committed to raising teacher salaries by more than the standard 3%. This increase is designed to help our teachers manage the rising cost of living and better align their compensation with the value of their profession. This salary adjustment reflects our ongoing dedication to offering competitive compensation, ensuring that we can continue to provide the best possible education for your child.
3. **Maintenance of Programs and Facilities:** The proposed tuition adjustment will help us begin closing the gap between the tuition charged per student and the actual cost of educating each child. While we strive to keep tuition as affordable as possible, the reality is that the true cost of providing a well-rounded, faith-based education exceeds what we currently charge. Closing this gap is essential to ensuring that we can continue to invest in the programs and facilities that enrich your child's learning experience.

The proposed tuition increase would amount to an additional \$500 for the year, which breaks down to approximately \$45.50 more per month on the eleven month plan. We understand that this adjustment may present a financial challenge for some families. If this increase creates a financial burden, we encourage you to reach out to our office. Our goal is to work together to find a solution that ensures your child will flourish at Saint Francis Xavier School.

Thank you for your continued support and trust in our mission. Together, we can ensure that our school remains a place where students thrive academically, spiritually, and personally. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this update further, please do not hesitate to reach out to our office. We plan to finalize these proposed tuition rates within a week's time. As a reminder, re-enrollment for current families opens on Sunday, January 26, 2025. We look forward to receiving yours!

Know of our prayers for you and your family!

God Bless,

Haley Rogers, M.Ed.
Principal

Rev. Ryan Healy
Pastor