

Holy Family Catholic School



January 9, 2020

Dear Holy Family Parents,

It always comes as a bit of a surprise when we begin to plan for *next* school year in December, and yet we do! We welcome all of you to a new year and wish you and your family many blessings. We want to recognize you for the many sacrifices that you make so that your children can experience a Catholic education, and we thank you for choosing Holy Family.

For our school board, the new year brings planning for the needs of our community by preparing budgets and setting tuition for the upcoming school year. Each year has certain areas of focus, and for our board, it is the continuation of our expansion project, as well as the compensation of our employees.

As our construction project moves forward, we anticipate the need for additional faculty as the implementation of three classes per grade level moves into 6th grade next year and we adjust to new space. For that reason, we have plans to **add a nurse and several new teaching positions to continue our expansion including a new teacher for 3rd grade teacher and a 5th/6th Social Studies teacher.**

Another area of **focus has been on employee compensation.** Since our faculty salary scale is linked to Round Rock ISD on a percentage basis, we are eager to respond to the increases implemented across the state in teacher salaries in the last year. In the past, our teachers have been paid 90% of prior year scale for Round Rock ISD, based on their years of experience. While we are grateful for their sacrifice and willingness to serve at Holy Family, the board is committed to transitioning to the newly adopted levels seen in the area.

Finally, we have planned for **additional tuition assistance** to support those with financial need. We encourage families to apply for assistance, if they feel that is necessary for their child to attend Holy Family.

In order to deliver these improvements and continue to provide the educational excellence that our current and incoming families seek, **a tuition increase of \$350 annually** for Catholics and non-Catholics has been set, which translates to **an increase of approximately \$29. per month** for families that are on a 12-month payment plan. The annual fee will remain unchanged at \$365.

Our board is committed to helping to maintain a strong and vibrant school. We are very excited about our future and very grateful to our families for their support.

Sincerely,

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