

St. Matthew Catholic School Tuition Assistance

All tuition assistance at St. Matthew is determined by criteria set by the state of Indiana or based on need as determined by an independent service and the St. Matthew Financial Aid Committee. Tuition Assistance at St. Matthew is available in the following forms:

- Indiana Choice Scholarship (Voucher)
- Tax Credit Scholarship from a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO)
- Financial Assistance directly from St. Matthew

Indiana Choice Scholarship (Voucher) Program

This program provides scholarships to eligible Indiana students (enrolled in grades kindergarten or higher) to offset tuition costs at participating schools, including St. Matthew Catholic School. For the 2026-27 school year, eligibility is no longer based upon family income. All students who are Indiana residents and meet the age requirement will be eligible for a Choice Scholarship in 2026-27.

We have not yet received information from the state regarding what documentation will be required to obtain a Choice Scholarship. However, in past years, an application along with the first page of the parent Federal Income Tax return was required to establish a student's residence.

Indiana Choice Scholarship Award Amounts vary by the school district in which the student resides and are set annually in March for the school year ending the following May. (The *estimated* awards for the 2026-27 school year will be based on the *final* award amount for the 2025-26 school year, which will be determined in March 2026.) The *estimated* 2025-26 award amount for selected townships is listed below:

<u>Township</u>	2025-26 Estimated Award
Lawrence Township	\$6,939
Washington Township	\$6,797
Hamilton Southeastern	\$6,205
Warren Township	\$7,150
Indianapolis Public Schools	\$7,330

Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGO) and Other Financial Assistance

Families seeking assistance above the amount of their voucher awards (and determined to have additional need by FACTS), may receive additional assistance through SGO funds or directly from St. Matthew. Private donations make SGO grants possible through the Institute for Quality Education. Families wishing to be considered for this additional assistance must complete an online Grant and Aid application in their FACTS account. Awards are made annually, so an application must be submitted each school year. Applications for the 2026-27 school year must be completed by May 15, 2026.

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications – General Information

- FACTS calculates a family's financial need based on family resources and expenses. If there are extenuating circumstances that a family believes are not taken into consideration by the FACTS Financial Aid application or the federal tax records, applicants are encouraged to explain the circumstances in the Comments Section of the FACTS application.
- Families must use the specific St. Matthew FACTS account link to apply for financial aid. https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3XR18
- Awards are made annually; applications must be submitted each school year.
- Applications for 2026-27 school year are due by May 15, 2026.
- FACTS charges a fee (currently \$45) to process a grant and aid application.

Begin Financial Aid Application through FACTS



St. Matthew Catholic School Tuition Payment Policy 2026-2027

FACTS TUITION MANAGEMENT

- St. Matthew uses FACTS Tuition Management for the collection of ALL tuition payments, including Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten tuition.
- All families must enroll in FACTS Tuition Management (select a payment plan and enter bank account or credit card information) at the time their students are enrolled (or reenrolled) for the school year. FACTS must be utilized to pay all tuition amounts due.
- St. Matthew staff will enter the tuition charges and amount due from the family after the FACTS account is set up.
- FACTS enrollment fees (maximum of one plan per family) will be covered by St. Matthew. However, if the optional insurance coverage is selected, this charge is the responsibility of the family. Likewise, any fees for returned payments are the responsibility of the school family.
- Families with students in Preschool or Pre-K as well as in grades kindergarten through eighth, should only select one payment plan.

FACTS TUITION PAYMENT PLANS AVAILABLE			
Plan	# of Payments	Date Due	
Annual	1	July 2026*	
Biannual	2	July 2026* and January 2027*	
Monthly	10	July 2026* through April 2027*	
*Payment due dates are either the 5 th or the 20 th of the month – your choice			

Registration Fees

A non-refundable registration fee is due in January for returning students and upon application for new students. The registration fee is paid online through the FACTS Enrollment process.

Tuition Due from Withdrawing Student

If a student is enrolled in any part of a quarter, tuition is due for that quarter.

Delinquent Tuition and Fees

- All tuition and fees (lunch, extended care, band fees, or other) must be current by May 20th for students to be admitted to the Fall Semester and by December 15th to be admitted to the Spring Semester.
- Students will not be allowed to participate in school or CYO sponsored activities if tuition and fees are not current as of the date of the event (or at the time of registration for a CYO team). This includes but is not limited to participation on a CYO team, the 8th grade Washington D.C. trip, May Crowning, and graduation ceremonies.
- Report cards and diplomas will be held if tuition, lunch fees, extended care fees, or any other fees are not
 paid in full. Transcripts will not be sent to another educational institution while there is a balance due for
 tuition or fees.



St. Matthew Catholic School Tuition Rates and Fees 2025-2026

(Rates for 2026-27 are not yet set)

Grades K-8	1 Student	2 Students	3 Students	4 Students	5 Students
*Active Parish Family Rate	\$7,000	\$14,000	\$21,000	\$28,000	\$35,000
Non-Parishioner or Inactive Parishioner Rate	\$9,250	\$18,500	\$27,750	\$37,000	\$46,250

^{*}To receive the Active Parish Family Rate, the family must meet the following criteria: be Catholic, be registered parishioners of St. Matthew Catholic Church, participate in the life of the parish and school, and regularly contribute to St. Matthew Catholic Church using Sunday envelopes or through Faith Direct.

Required Annual Fees K-8	Amount	Description
Registration Fee	\$100	Per Student, Non-Refundable, Due in January for returning families or upon application for new families. This fee is paid online through FACTS Enrollment.

Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten Rates	Pre-K 4-year-olds (5 days)	<u>Pre-K 4-year-olds</u> (3 days)	Preschool 3-year-olds (3 half days)**
*Active Parish Family Rate	\$6,350	\$3,820	\$2,370
Non-Parishioner or Inactive Parishioner Rate	\$6,970	\$4,190	\$2,590

Non-Refundable Registration Fee of \$100 per Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten student is due upon enrollment. This fee is paid online through FACTS Enrollment.

^{*}Active Parish Family Rate is available to those families who meet the criteria outlined above in K-8 tuition chart.

^{**}Extended day option is available. Tuition is double the half-date rate.