

TUITION/FEES AND SUBSIDY POLICY

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School/Preschool is supported by the entire parish, with the parents/families of enrolled students assuming a portion of the educational costs for their child(ren). In short, every student enrolled at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School is on a partial scholarship.

*It is necessary that each family benefiting from the dedication of the parish-at-large be an active member of the community through the sharing of talent and treasure. Since the scholarships (reduced tuition) are a benefit of belonging to the parish, it is understood that Mass attendance and Sunday envelopes will be used regularly for the support of the parish, according to the means of each family.

TUITION AND FEES PAYMENTS

Families will be able to pay their tuition/school fees in one of 5 ways:

- 1. Annual payment in full due in July
- 2. Semi-annually July/January \$20 yearly family fee
- 3. 9 monthly payments beginning in September-May \$50 yearly family fee
- 4. 11 monthly payments beginning in July-May \$50 yearly family fee
- 5. 12 month payment plan starting in July-June \$50 yearly family fee

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS (FACTS) - (K-8 Only)

FACTS – GRANT AND AID APPLICATIONS exists for the equitable assessment of parish families in particular need. Those parish families believing that their particular situation warrants a further reduction in tuition must first apply for the John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship using the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment to meet all the requirements for tuition financial assistance. To be considered for both the John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship and parish scholarship, your FACTS application is due by April. The results of the FACTS findings will be reviewed by the Pastor and representatives of the St. Vincent de Paul Finance Commission. Following the review, each applicant family will be notified of their applicable tuition reduction. The reduced tuition level is paid through the Automatic Debit System.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH CATHOLIC EDUCATION TUITION SUBSIDY POLICY

Supporting Catholic education at St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Parish is one of the primary missions of our parish as it passes on our faith to our young people through the study of Catholic doctrine, frequent opportunities for personal and communal prayer, and active participation in the sacramental life of the Church.

The expenses associated with providing Catholic education to the children of our parish at SVdP Catholic School and Peoria Notre Dame High School are borne collectively by the entire parish. Families or parents of enrolled students contribute a portion of the educational costs through tuition, while the remaining expenses are subsidized through the Sunday contributions from all parishioners.

This parish subsidy allows "active" parishioners to have their children receive a Catholic education at a reduced tuition rate as compared to each school's total cost per student.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH TUITION SUBSIDY POLICY REQUIREMENTS

The following SVdP Parish tuition subsidy policy applies to all SVdP families that have children enrolled at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School/Preschool and/or Peoria Notre Dame High School.

Under our policy, a school family will be considered "active" and have their children's tuition subsidized by our parish if they regularly contribute their time, talent, and treasure to support our parish. Families that do not support our parish in this manner will be charged the total cost per student to attend our preschool/grade school and Peoria Notre Dame.

In short, to receive parish subsidy (in-parish tuition) the following requirements must be met:

- Be a registered member of St. Vincent de Paul Parish (or Catholic parish without a school)
- Be an active member of the parish regularly contributing time, talent, and treasure to support the parish
- School students must be baptized Catholic

Sharing of Time & Talent with our Parish

It is important that our school families are involved with our parish community. Our parish and school are in need of volunteers for our various ministries and school activities to remain a strong, vibrant parish. Parents of our school families will be required to volunteer their time and talent to our parish and/or school in order to receive a parish tuition subsidy for their children.

A SVdP ministry/school activities sign up form will need to be completed and returned for families to receive the "active" parishioner tuition rates for SVdP Catholic School/Preschool and/or Peoria Notre Dame High School.

Sharing of Treasure with Our Parish

School families will also need to support our parish financially to receive a parish tuition subsidy for their children.

To receive the "active" parishioner tuition rate for SVdP Catholic School/Preschool and/or Peoria Notre Dame High School, each parish school family will be required to fill out and return a <u>Vocare Sunday Giving Commitment Card</u> each year and contribute to our parish financially with Sunday envelopes. The commitment cards will need to be submitted, at the latest, at the time your children are registered for the upcoming school year.

Parish school families that do not fill out and return a <u>commitment card</u> and the <u>ministry/school</u> activities sign up form will be charged the total cost per student.

This policy is not intended to eliminate the tuition financial assistance that is provided by the John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship Grant (through the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment) for families that cannot afford the tuition for their children to attend Peoria Notre Dame and/or St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School. If our parish tuition subsidy policy causes a financial hardship for any family, please make an appointment to see the parish pastor personally to discuss your particular situation.