

St. Mary Parish School 2021-22 SMART Tuition Overview

May 17, 2021

Dear Parents:

Why SMART Tuition and what can it do for us?

Tuition is due on July 1, 2021. This year **all families will use SMART Tuition accounts** for the purpose of paying tuition. We were using a combination of Power School, Efunds, PDS Data Systems and SMART. Our results were accurate, but the process required manual effort to keep everything straight. We are moving all our tuition payments to SMART and next year we will have online enrollment too. This is being done to reduce paperwork for families and streamline our expenses, so more of your tuition stewardship dollars go to your child(ren)'s education rather than administrative activities.

SMART Tuition allows you to:

- Choose what payment arrangement works best for you (pay up front, or receive a monthly invoice).
- Those choosing monthly payments will pay one-tenth of the tuition bill the 15th of every month of the school year. (August 15th through May 15th). There is a \$95.00 fee for this.
- All payments can be set up to be paid by credit card or directly from your bank account. You may also simply write a check if you prefer.
- Everyone can access account information online (review transaction details, edit contact or payment method, make a payment or set up recurring payments).
- Payment information will move to email and you can set up reminders by email or phone 7-10 days before your due date for recurring payments
- Speak with a customer service representative 24/7.

What do I need to do?:

If you're new to SMART, you will receive an email from Customer Service at SMART and you simply follow the links, verify your data and tell us how you want to pay tuition for next year.

If you used SMART last year, please re-enroll and verify the information we have on file is correct and tell us how you want to pay tuition next year. Note that our **school code is 11479.**

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Nancy Schwemmer at the Parish Office (414-425-2174 ext.223) or email her at <u>schwemmern@stmaryhc.org</u>

Thank you, Dan Hansen