



St. Mary Parish School

Tuition Policy 2024-2025

Tuition Rates for the 2024-2025 school year:

4K through 8th grade	Non Parishioner Tuition Rate	Parishioner Tuition Rate
First Child	\$6,615	\$4,977
Second Child	\$3,990	\$3,990
Third Child	\$3,675	\$3,675
Fourth Child or more	\$3,500	0
4K Half Day (Full day rate above)	\$5,198	\$3,560
3K Full Day		
5 Days per week	\$7,791	\$6,341
3 Days per week	\$6,867	\$5,467
2 Days per week	\$5,954	\$4,554
3K Half Day		
5 Days per week	\$5,198	\$3,798
3 Days per week	\$4,652	\$3,252
2 Days per week	\$4,106	\$2,706
Playground Fee	\$48 / Child	\$48 / Child
8th Grade Graduation	\$79 / Child	\$79 / Child
Technology Fee	\$84 / Child	\$84 / Child

PAYMENT DUE DATE AND OPTIONS:

Tuition is paid through Blackbaud Tuition Management. The tuition contract must be completed online by **July 19, 2024**. There are two payment options available:

1. Pay in full by check or credit card by **August 1, 2024**.
2. Enter a monthly payment plan with automatic payments from either credit card or bank account.

NON-PAYMENT OF TUITION OR OTHER FEES:

St Mary's is willing to work with parishioner families who are under financial pressure through our tuition assistance program. However, non-payment of tuition, lunch balances or other fees without good faith effort by the parents to contact us and continue making payments at a level they can afford, may result in loss of enrollment at the the first semester break and / or the loss of privilege to register for the next year.



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PLEDGING PROCESS:

Pledges are made only to the Parish Operating Fund. It is from the Operating Fund that the Parish subsidizes the School. For the tax reporting of charitable giving, our annual pledge cycle follows the calendar year, not the school year.

Note: Setting up a monthly ACH transfer from your checking or savings account is considered an ongoing pledge of support until it is canceled by you. Doing this means you do not have to issue a new pledge form every year because an ACH is considered an ongoing pledge of support.

SCRIP PROGRAM - USING GIFT CARDS TO SAVE ON TUITION COSTS:

Numerous families participate in our "SCRIP" program and save hundreds of dollars on their tuition bills. Simply buy gift cards from March of the present year through the following February for your favorite stores and restaurants and a portion of your purchase is credited toward your tuition bill in April. Unapplied tuition rebates (families with students who graduate or leave) will be credited to the Tuition Assistance Program for families in need.

TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR PARISHIONERS:

St. Mary families who are registered as parishioners, may apply to our Tuition Assistance Program for help with temporary financial difficulties. Registered parish families interested in applying for assistance should complete the application (available on the School Website) and return it to the Director of Administrative Services at the Parish Office no later than **June 1, 2024**. There is a limited amount of assistance available. Time is of the essence. Your application is kept in strict confidence. Receiving tuition assistance does not negate your stewardship responsibility to the Parish. You must still pledge your support and give as you are able.

TUITION REFUND SCHEDULE:

Tuition refund is calculated based on the month in which the student is withdrawn and prorated based on the number of days of instruction received:

Prior to Start of School	August - December	January	February	March	April - June
100%	50%	30%	20%	10%	No refund

Parents will either receive a refund or may owe additional tuition depending upon when the child is withdrawn and the amount of tuition paid to the date of withdrawal. If a tuition refund check is issued, a \$50 administrative processing fee will be applied.

PAYMENT DEFAULT:

Tuition is a financial obligation of both parents. Families who fall behind on tuition payments should contact the Director of Administrative Services to work out a Tuition Payment Agreement. If there's financial difficulty, job loss or other circumstance, approach us in confidence. Simply not paying past due tuition or paying late causes your family to incur late fees. Families not paying tuition as agreed risk their



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their enrollment status. St Mary reserves the right to take legal action to collect unpaid tuition or submit these debts to collection.

LATE REGISTRATION:

Families registering after the start of the school year, shall pay a prorated tuition amount based on the number of days their student(s) will attend St. Mary Parish School.