St. Aloysius School

Enrollment Agreement - 2024-2025



Tuition and Fees

Kindergarten - 7th Grade

	In-Parish	Out-of-Parish
1 Child	\$3,044	\$3,765
2 Children	\$5,516	\$6,237
3 Children	\$7,679	\$8,400
4 Children	\$8,400	\$9,121

Little Blessings - K4

	In-Parish	Out-of-Parish
1 Child	\$2,178	\$2,899
2 Children	\$4,300	\$5,021

The difference between In-Parish and Out-of-Parish tuition rates is explained later in this document.

Additional financial and time obligations:

- Each family is required to pay a \$20 fee per student at the time of enrollment. During the preceding application phase, each new student is required to pay a \$25 fee. These fees are non-refundable and do not apply toward tuition or lunch expenses.
- Each Second Grade student is required to pay a \$75 fee for First Holy Communion preparation materials.
- In-Parish families must be active, financially-contributing members of their parish to receive that rate.
- By being a parent at St. Aloysius School, you also have the following obligations to participate in the Home & School Association:
 - Participate in 2 Home & School Association Committees
 - Support the Santa Breakfast by working 2 shifts
 - o Participate in all fundraisers including a minimum of \$200 of raffle ticket sales

The Finance Council, under the advice and consultation of the principal and pastor, is responsible for setting the non-refundable registration fees as well as tuition rates. Two of the main parameters used are parish subsidies available and the average actual cost of education per student (\$6,500 in 2022/2023).

All tuition contractual obligations for the prior year must be current to ensure a student's registration for the following school year. Tuition contractual obligations for fifth graders must be paid before graduation. All report

cards, mid-term reports and school records, including fifth-grade diplomas, will be withheld until all fees are current. If special arrangements are necessary, please, contact the principal.

Tuition Policy

Our tuition goals are:

- To help make a Catholic education affordable to all who truly desire and value it for their children.
- To foster a trusting, community relationship between the parish, the school, and Catholic families.
- To generate funds so the school has a solid financial base to sustain operations and continually improve programs and services.

St. Aloysius School Tuition Rates

In-Parish Rate

To receive the In-Parish tuition rate, a family must have at least one parent/guardian who is a baptized practicing Catholic, must be registered at Divine Mercy Parish, St. Norbert Church, or Holy Cross Parish and must have a Stewardship Commitment Card (pledge card) on file in the respective parish office. A quarterly review will be shared by the parish office to verify active financial participation. An In-Parish family is one who is participating in the sacramental life of the parish by regularly attending Mass every Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation, supporting parish activities, using envelopes to tithe regularly, and contributing to Home & School Association obligations. A suggested donation for the In-Parish tuition rate is \$13 - \$25 a week (or \$700 - \$1,300 per year).

Out-of-Parish Tuition Rate

The Out-of-Parish tuition rate applies to a family that is not part of the Divine Mercy Parish, St. Norbert Church, Holy Cross Parish or is not living up to the requirements of the tuition agreement as stated in this document for In-Parish members.

Monitoring of the St. Aloysius School In-Parish Tuition Rate Privilege

A Catholic family receives the discount of the "In-Parish" rate because they meet the criteria of being registered with one of our three parishes and are active, financially-contributing parishioners. This discounted rate is lower than the Our-of-Parish rate and far lower than the cost to educate a student (\$6,500 in 2023-2024) because we know the parish contributions from our In-Parish families will also help support our school. A family's financial giving does not, in any way, stand in judgment of a person's depth or quality of faith, but as an objective way of establishing a person's commitment to St. Aloysius School and the parish. So that each parent/guardian might be treated equally and fairly, the most objective means of monitoring parishioner status is through the financial giving records kept by the parish.

The bookkeeping office will report all tuition obligation data and stewardship statements regarding parish contributions to all school families three times a year for tracking purposes. At any of these three reporting periods, report cards or mid-term reports may be withheld until families become current with their school

financial obligations. This data is kept confidential with only the pastor, principal, and parish bookkeeper involved in maintaining and honoring the parish financial records.

If there is any financial challenge being incurred by a parish family, the family should notify the school directly. There is a process of applying and receiving St. Aloysius School Financial Assistance and there is a deep commitment to making sure all our Catholic families have the financial support they need. Any Catholic family challenged by their stewardship commitment may make an appointment to discuss this matter privately with the principal and the pastor.

For returning students, family financial obligations will be assessed each spring. Catholic families receiving the "In-Parish" rate may be moved to "Out-of-Parish" rate for failure to live up to the requirements of the tuition agreement and the parent handbook. This decision is made by the pastor with input from the principal.

St. Aloysius School Financial Assistance

Local financial assistance can be requested by any Catholic family. Families may <u>apply online</u> for St. Aloysius School Financial Assistance. The request is processed by the school administration and awardees are based on financial need only. Each new school year, the applicant must reapply for the St. Aloysius Financial Assistance. Any special circumstances will be handled confidentially by the principal and pastor.

The St. Aloysius School Financial Tuition Assistance Committee meets and determines that amount of tuition assistance based on specific financial criteria. St. Aloysius School families who belong to Divine Mercy Parish receive first consideration for assistance. Families will receive email notification regarding their receipt or non-receipt of tuition assistance.

Some neighboring parishes give financial assistance to their registered families. If you are not a registered member of Divine Mercy Parish, St. Norbert Church, or Holy Cross Parish, please ask your Pastor if any financial support to attend St. Aloysius School is available.

Emergency Financial Assistance

Life status changes do occur and St. Aloysius School tries to respond to the call. If a current school family has experienced a life status change, the family may submit, in writing, an emergency scholarship request. If any funds are available, the principal will work with the pastor to assess the need and respond accordingly.

Tuition Agreement

By enrolling in our school, you agree to the responsibility each family has to promote the common good at St. Aloysius School. Volunteer hours, participating in major fundraisers, supporting the parish and participating in sacramental life are key elements to the partnership between the school and each family. Questions or concerns about the tuition contract should be addressed to the principal. No charitable (goods/services) contribution shall be accepted in consideration of a student's enrollment at St. Aloysius School.