

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

TUITION 2025-2026

Dear St. Michael School Community,

St. Michael School is dedicated to helping our students to become saints and scholars. In order to do this, we evaluate our school tuition to see what is needed to continue to effectively live out that mission. Tuition for the 2025-2026 school year will be \$6,775, increasing \$250 from last school year. This increase will help to cover the general increases that have presented themselves in running our school as well as help to facilitate our goal of increasing classroom aide support in various grade levels.

St. Michael Parish and School strive to continually improve so as to provide the best experience for our parishioners, families, and students. This incurs various costs and we have included some of our staffing increases over recent years as well as a few of our upcoming Parish projects that have impacted or will impact our School and Parish.

Tuition 2025-2026

Tuition for the coming school year is \$6,775. This is a \$250 increase compared to the 2024-2025 school year.

General Cost Increases

Approximate increased costs to the school over the past year:

- 5% Health Insurance (Projected to increase an additional 10%)
- 3% Salaries
- 5% Utilities

Recent Staff Increases

- Full-time KR Teachers (23-24)
- School Resource Officer (School took on salary 24-25)
- Intervention Specialist (24-25)
- Full-time KR Aides (24-25)
- Goal: Increase Classroom Aide support in 25-26

The Parish and SMS

The Parish plays an important role at SMS, providing \$557,922 in financial aid to SMS families during the 2023-2024 school year. This is a decrease from our 10 year average, \$896,727, lessening the Parish's financial contribution. Parish financial aid peaked at nearly \$1,200,000 during the inflationary period directly after Covid.

The Parish has seen a decline in offertory collections and has several large projects. It is important to balance financial aid to the school and directing funds to other aspects of the Parish. Upcoming projects include carpeting for the main church, roofing for the main church, and organ repairs.

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TUITION ASSISTANCE 2025-2026

Basic Parish Tuition Assistance (K-8).

- Families must complete a FACTS or EdChoice Scholarship application to be considered for basic tuition assistance from St. Michael Parish
- Assistance amounts will vary based on family need
- Assistance can be considered year-round while funding remains

EdChoice Scholarship (K-8).

- All Ohio students qualify for a tuition scholarship. Scholarship amounts vary based on the family income level.
- New students or families that have not applied before need to complete a simple scholarship request form and income verification requirements to qualify.
- Students previously granted the scholarship need to complete a renewal form yearly.
- Scholarship packets are available in the office or [online](#) through the Ohio Department of Education.
- Application window opens February 1.

FACTS Tuition Assistance (KR-8).

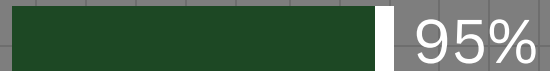
- Tuition assistance provided through our school foundation
- Assistance amounts will vary based on family need
- Families must apply online at online.factsmgt.com
- Application window opens March 1.

Kremer Foundation (K-8).

- Tuition scholarships awarded by Kremer Foundation
- Must provide income verification with student application
- Scholarship amounts vary based on number of applicants
- Forms will be available from school office in April and due by scholarship deadline indicated on form

SMS and EdChoice 24-25

All students K-8 are eligible to receive the EdChoice Scholarship.



% of SMS Receiving EdChoice



% of SMS Students Receiving the Maximum Scholarship, \$6,166

\$4,078.70

Average Scholarship Amount

SGOs (K-8).

- Scholarship can cover tuition and classroom fees
- All students are eligible to apply for and receive a scholarship
- Award amounts will vary and be prioritized for students with demonstrated financial need
- **OCEN SGO:**
 - <https://ohiocen.org/ocen-sgo/apply/>
 - Scholarship window is open December 1 - July 15
- **Diocese of Toledo SGO:**
 - <https://www.dotsgo.org/apply-for-a-scholarship>
 - Scholarship window is open