

Office of the Principal

January 2022

Dear Parent(s):

Bishop Kenny High School provides financial assistance to students with documented financial need and/or extenuating circumstances. All tuition assistance grants, large and small, are met through Bishop Kenny's financial assistance program which is funded by parents, alumni, and friends of the school through donations to the Fund for BKHS. Please remember that Bishop Kenny High School is a self-supporting institution that receives no operating support from the Diocese, parishes, or the government.

Criteria considered by the FACTS service in making grant recommendations will include family income and extraordinary circumstances that families might face. The FACTS service also suggests circumstances that might prohibit a family from being considered for a grant – i.e., savings, other income, the cost/value of a home, etc. Consideration is also given to the number of children in tuition-paying Catholic schools.

3 Easy Steps

- 1. REGISTRATION: Deadline is March 4, 2022
 - Students must be registered for the 2022-2023 school year to be considered for financial aid. The registration fee is \$425.00 per student.
- 2. FACTS Grant & Aid: Deadline for application is March 31, 2022

Applicants must complete an on-line application and submit proof of income and supporting documents. Only one application per family is required and the application fee is \$33. A link to the required FACTS financial aid application can be found on the Bishop Kenny Admissions page at www.bishopkenny.org

3. **SUFS or AAA:** While all families will not meet the criteria, **all applicants are required** to visit the website <u>www.stepupforstudents.org</u> or <u>www.AAAscholarships.org</u> to determine whether or not they meet the eligibility requirements for a Step Up scholarship worth up to \$7,000.00.

The BKHS Financial Aid Committee reviews the recommendations made by the FACTS service and determines final award amounts. Each year the number of applicants and their situations affect the level of grants that the school is able to provide. Award notifications will be mailed to applicants in May. Your first tuition payment will be due on the 5th or 20th of June 2022 and will be deducted through the FACTS tuition program.

If you have questions regarding Financial Aid, please contact Mrs. Jackie Solis in the Business Office between 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at 904-398-7545 ext. 254.

Sincerely,

Todd Orlando Principal



Apply Online Today!

- <u>Step 1:</u> Navigate to your institution's website to complete the online application
- <u>Step 2:</u> Submit your Federal Form 1040 Income Tax Return, W-2 forms, and supporting documentation for non-taxable income to FACTS. You can upload documents by logging into your online account or fax them to 866-315-9264. Draft or Preview Copy tax documents will not be accepted.

Please allow at least 2 weeks for your application and supporting tax documents to be processed before contacting FACTS.

Who decides how much financial aid I will receive?

The educational institution granting aid is solely responsible for determining the final award. The analysis completed by FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment serves as a <u>recommendation only</u>.

Why do I have to provide this personal and confidential information?

FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment must verify your expenses and household income to assist your institution in making an informed decision about the amount of financial aid needed for each family.

How can I check the status of my application?

Once you have completed the online application, you will be able to log on to <u>online.factsmgt.com</u> to check the status of your application.

Application deadlines are set by the school or institution awarding the scholarships. If you are applying after a given deadline date, please contact your school or institution to ensure that your application will be accepted.

Customer Care Representatives are available Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Central Time and Fridays 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Central Time.



FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment

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FACTS makes quality education affordable for families by assisting schools in awarding financial aid. We work with schools to create a custom application and collect financial data so schools can make accurate award decisions based on financial need.

To apply for financial aid, visit https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3FX4X

After completing the online application, you will need to upload all required supporting documentation.

The following supporting documents are required to complete the application process:

- IRS Federal Income Tax Return, including all supporting schedules (the year of the tax return depends on the tax requirements of your school). If applicant and co-applicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same tax year.
- Copies of <u>all</u> the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements for both the applicant and co-applicant.
 NOTE: If you are applying before you have received all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements, please submit them as soon as they become available.
- Copies of all supporting tax documents if you have business income/loss from any of the following:
 Business send Schedule C or C-EZ and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 Farm send Schedule F and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 Rental Property send Schedule E (page 1)
 S-Corporation send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1120S (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 Partnership send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1065 (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 Estates and Trusts send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1041 and Schedule K-1

IMPORTANT: If you file a tax return but do not have W-2 wages because you are self-employed, you will be required to submit a copy of your current year Federal Form 1040 Tax Return.

 Copies of all supporting documentation for household Non-Taxable Income such as:Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and TemporaryAssistance for Needy Families (TANF). If you do not file a tax return, you are required to provide documentation of all income received.

All documentation received is imaged upon receipt and then destroyed.

You may log in to your FACTS user account to review the status of your application. Please allow 2 weeks processing time before inquiring further about receipt and/or status of the uploaded documents. Application deadlines are set by the institution awarding the aid. If you are applying after the deadline, contact your school to ensure that your application will be accepted.

A non-refundable application fee may be required before your application will be submitted.

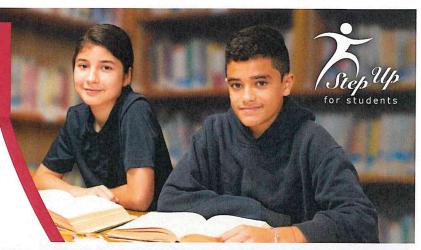
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Scholarships for Florida School children

Step Up For Students believes that every child deserves the chance to succeed. Through the administration of several scholarship programs, Step Up For Students empowers parents to pursue and engage in the most appropriate learning options for their children. With the help of a Step Up For Students scholarship, you could send your child to a Catholic school near you.



SCHOLARSHIPS FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL

The Family Empowerment Scholarship for Educational Options (FES-EO) and the Florida Tax Credit (FTC) Scholarship Program give parents the ability to choose a school that best meets their children's needs by providing a scholarship to attend an eligible private school.

Mho is eligible?

Students in grades K-12 who meet one or more of the following:

- Financial need: Eligibility is determined by household income. For example, a family of four could have an income of nearly \$100,000 annually to qualify.
- Dependent children of a reservist or an active-duty member of the United States Armed Forces
- Children currently in foster or out-of-home care
- · Siblings of students participating in the Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with **Unique Abilities**

What is available?

• A scholarship worth roughly \$7,000 to cover the cost of private school tuition, books, registration, testing and more.

How to apply?

To apply online, or for more information, visit StepUpForStudents.org/Catholic



(877) 735-7837





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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS WITH UNIQUE ABILITIES

The Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities (FES-UA) allows parents of students with unique abilities to personalize the education of their children by directing scholarship dollars toward a combination of programs and services offered by approved providers.

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- Students 3 years old to high-school graduation or age 22 (whichever comes first)
- Children with one of 22 diagnoses including, but not limited to: autism spectrum disorder, Down syndrome, spina bifida and emotional, behavioral or intellectual disabilities

What is available?

• A scholarship worth, on average, \$10,400 to cover the cost of private school tuition, instructional materials, home education, tutoring and more.





To learn more and see if your child qualifies for a Step Up Scholarship, scan the OR code.

Program funds are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. As of October 2021 for the 2021-22 school year.