

# OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SCHOLARSHIP

In Memory of Mary Rose Carey



## **PURPOSE:**

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Scholarship is dedicated to advancing values-based education of students of Hispanic origin who possess a strong desire to grow in their Catholic faith and display a need for financial assistance. The scholarship provides for 50% or more of the tuition billed for an eligible student for the entirety of her academic career at Oakland Catholic High School (OCHS), provided that financial need is confirmed annually in accordance with OCHS policy.

## **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR INITIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:**

To be eligible for consideration for the Our Lady of Guadalupe Scholarship applicants must be a student of Hispanic origin and actively practicing the Catholic faith. The recipient must qualify academically, be accepted to Oakland Catholic High School and demonstrate financial need in accordance with OCHS's financial need policy and procedures. The applicant may not have a record of recurring disciplinary or attendance issues at their previous school.

## **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD AFTER INITIAL AWARD:**

The recipient student must maintain satisfactory academic progress as set forth by OCHS policies and must remain free of recurring disciplinary issues. The recipient student's parent/guardian must complete a grant and financial aid application through FACTS in advance of each academic year to determine financial need.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

The applicant must provide a letter of recommendation from a teacher or administrator at her most recently attended school and from the administrator or priest from the parish of which she is an active member. The student's parent/guardian must complete a grant and financial aid application through FACTS in accordance with the registration process of Oakland Catholic High School.

## **SELECTION COMMITTEE:**

The Scholarship Selection Committee shall consist of the following:

- The Director of Admissions of Oakland Catholic High School, or his/her designee.
- The President of Oakland Catholic High School, or his/her designee.
- The Director of Mission Integration of Oakland Catholic High School, or his/her designee.

Recommendations and/or references from outside sources and individuals familiar with the applicant will be solicited at the discretion of the Selection Committee. Recipients will be selected on an objective and nondiscriminatory basis.

Family members of the Selection Committee are ineligible to apply for the Scholarship.

### **SELECTION PROCESS:**

Applicants will be evaluated and selected based on the following criteria:

- Satisfactory and exemplary academic and attendance records.
- Unblemished disciplinary records or affirmation of non-issues.
- Recommendation from a parish and school representative as noted above.

### **OTHER POINTS:**

- Current students enrolled at OCHS who meet the criteria are eligible to apply for the scholarship.
- Students transferring into OCHS from another Catholic, private or public school who meet the criteria are eligible to apply for the scholarship.
- The scholarship will remain in effect throughout the student's enrollment at OCHS.
- The scholarship cannot be redeemed for cash or transferred to another student.
- The scholarship must be used in the academic year initially awarded and cannot be transferred to another academic year.
- If the student does not start as scheduled, said student must reapply.
- The number of new scholarships offered per academic year will be determined by the Selection Committee.

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