

DE SMET JESUIT FINANCIAL FAQS



WHAT IS THE NEED-BASED TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM?

All students qualifying and awarded need-based assistance will be required to participate in our Work Grant program. We contact each recipient in the spring prior to the upcoming school year to schedule their required duties (such as emptying recycling bins or sweeping floors). In addition to assigned work duties, each recipient must maintain good academic and discipline standing.

HOW DO I FIND OUT IF MY FAMILY WILL QUALIFY FOR NEED-BASED TUITION ASSISTANCE?

In September, prior to the next school year, families may access and submit an online application with FACTS Management. We consider many factors in determining each family's tuition responsibility. Along with carefully reviewing FACTS Management recommendations through your completed application, and other qualitative information provided by your family, our committee will determine a sustainable need-based award for your family while enabling our ability to maintain our mission and commitment to our community. In order to better determine a timely estimate of your need-based tuition assistance award, we highly encourage our incoming families to submit their completed FACTS Management application prior to the January 15 deadline.

WHAT IF WE CANNOT AFFORD TO ENROLL OUR SON?

There may be other sources of tuition assistance available to you. We encourage you to review the options listed below for a potential fit.

- Scholarships through your parish school
- De Smet Jesuit's Merit Scholarship
- The Beyond Sunday Scholarship Program through the St. Louis Archdiocese.
- The Missouri MOST program.
- Help from relatives

We are also happy to meet with you in person to discuss flexible payment plans.

We understand that the process of choosing a high school and determining finances is stressful. It is our sincere hope that by providing this information early in the process we will help you make the best decision for your son and your family.

IF I APPLY FOR NEED-BASED TUITION ASSISTANCE, WILL IT IMPACT MY CHILD'S APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION?

Need-based tuition assistance applications **do not** affect admission decisions; admissions and financial need are kept strictly confidential and are considered separately by the school's admissions and business offices.

OUR FAMILY HAS MULTIPLE HOUSEHOLDS. DOES EACH HOUSEHOLD SUBMIT THEIR OWN FACTS MANAGEMENT APPLICATION?

Yes. In order to obtain a complete financial profile, regardless of marital status, or their financial obligation, De Smet Jesuit requires both of the student's natural parents/guardians to complete a FACTS application. If you would like to discuss your unique circumstances, please contact Nicole Talley, Financial Services Coordinator at ntalley@desmet.org or 314-785-1225. We can discuss the potential of moving forward with your request for need-based assistance.

DO I NEED TO RE-APPLY FOR NEED-BASED TUITION ASSISTANCE EACH YEAR?

Each family must re-apply annually before the established application deadline for the following school year. Changes in your income and family status may result in an increased or decreased award.

WHAT OTHER EXPENSES MIGHT MY SON INCUR BEYOND TUITION AND TUITION FEES?

Tuition does not include the cost of books or lunch. These costs can vary depending on student needs. Books can range from \$150-\$350 per year; students can bring lunch from home or buy in the cafeteria.