

AFFORDING BISHOP DUNNE

PHILOSOPHY

Bishop Dunne Catholic School's tuition assistance program exists to provide students with an opportunity to attend the school if they do not have the funds to cover whole tuition. In accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Catholic Diocese of Dallas, Bishop Dunne awards need-based grants, on a funds-available basis, up to a maximum of 70% of tuition cost.

NEED-BLIND ADMISSION POLICY

All admission applications are reviewed and admitted based on merit; financial need has no impact on whether or not a student is admitted.

FINANCIAL AID POLICIES

We offer a need-based financial aid program that operates within the principles and guidelines set out by the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) and the core values of Bishop Dunne Catholic School.

Once a family submits a complete financial aid application to Bishop Dunne Catholic School via FACTS, it is automatically submitted to the Catholic Diocese of Dallas for review. Families that meet the diocesan need-based criteria may be awarded financial aid from both diocesan funds and Bishop Dunne funds.



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FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION PROCESS

Families are encouraged to begin the financial aid application in conjunction with the admission application. It is not necessary to wait for an admission decision from Bishop Dunne to begin the financial aid process. The FACTS application for the 2025-2026 school year is available October 20, 2024.

To be considered for financial aid, parents must complete the FACTS online form. To complete your financial aid application, the following forms must be sent directly to FACTS:

- A completed, signed copy of your most recent federal income tax forms, including a copy of all W-2 forms and all accompanying schedules; and
- Written explanation of any unusual circumstances affecting the family's financial situation this year that needs to be considered.

Returning Bishop Dunne families should complete the FACTS application by December 15, 2024. Families new to Bishop Dunne should complete the FACTS application by February 1, 2025.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How is my financial aid award calculated?

Once you have completed your FACTS application, and all supporting documentation has been reviewed, the committee will determine your family's responsibility. Household income, assets, debts, size of family, and other circumstances are considered when awarding aid.

What information will I have to provide to FACTS?

You will be asked to upload W2s and your most recent tax return. Schedule Cs, when applicable, are also required. Both parents, and all legal guardians (where applicable), of the student must provide their information.

When will I be notified of the financial aid award?

As long as your FACTS application is complete, returning Bishop Dunne families will receive their financial aid award with re-enrollment contracts on February 1, 2025. New families will receive their financial aid award with their admission contract on March 7, 2025.

When can I begin my FACTS application?

FACTS applications for the 2025-2026 school year open October 20, 2024. Returning families should complete their application by December 15, 2024. New families should complete their application by February 1, 2025. Please note, once all documentation has been provided to FACTS, it can take up to two weeks for FACTS to review your application and mark it complete.

Do both parents need to provide information for the FACTS application?

Yes. In cases of divorce, separation, or parents who never married, custodial and non-custodial (as well as stepparents and legal guardians) are required to complete the application and submit required documents. Parents/guardians who do not complete a FACTS application will have an estimated income computed.

Tuition assistance awards are awarded to the student. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to determine how the tuition balance will be paid. Bishop Dunne is not bound by divorce agreements, court orders, or claims that one parent is unwilling to pay educational expenses.

Are there any additional opportunities for aid?

The Diocese of Dallas may award aid to families, should the need be present. To be considered for diocesan aid, you must complete your FACTS application by April 1, 2025. Applications received prior to that date will be reviewed as they are completed.

Are there any additional fees on top of the base tuition for students?

Yes. Each student is required to pay a technology fee, e-book fee, and registration fee. Juniors and seniors have a retreat fee, and seniors have a graduation fee. Additionally, uniforms are required, and are to be bought by the families. All students are required to bring a laptop to school, which is self-provided. Finally, the cost of lunch is not included in the tuition and fees. Students may bring their own lunch, or purchase lunch from the cafeteria.

Who do I contact if I have questions?

Please contact the Admission Office for more information.

Additional Information

Tuition and Fees for the 2024-2025 school year*:

	Middle School	High School
Tuition	\$13,800	\$17,600
Technology Fee	\$425	\$425
e-Book Fee	\$545	\$545
Registration Fee	\$500	\$500
Total Tuition and Fees	\$15,270	\$19,070

Tuition Payment Options

Payment will begin in the summer.

Option 1

Tuition and fees paid in full by June 15, 2025.

Option 2

Partial payment towards tuition and fees may be paid annually by April 15, 2025. The remainder of the balance will be financed through the Texas Dow Employees Credit Union (TDECU).

Option 3

Tuition and fees may be paid over either 10 or 11 months, with payments beginning annually in July. Monthly payments are financed through the Texas Dow Employees Credit Union (TDECU).

Option 4

Upon approval, tuition and fees may be paid through **Your Tuition Solution**, an alternative education loan with a full range of flexible payment options for families.

*Tuition and fees for the 2025-2026 school year will be available January 10, 2025.