



## 2025-2026 SMCS Tuition & Enrollment Information

*St. Mary Catholic Schools (SMCS) is proud to provide academic excellence, offer best-in-class facilities, and innovative technology to students of all faiths and families of all income levels.*

*Tuition assistance is available to allow every family who wants their child(ren) to be a part of the SMCS community, the ability to fit tuition into their household budget.*

### Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten

Early Childhood Program	Tuition
PreK-3 & 4K (3 half days, T/W/Th)	\$2,530
PreK-3 & 4K (5 half days)	\$3,210
4K (3 full days, T/W/Th)	\$4,010
4K (5 full days)	\$4,880

SMCS Early Childhood Programs allow for flexibility to meet the needs of each individual family. Our administrators and staff will work with you to determine the program that works best for your child and family. With the addition of extended care before and after school, SMCS can provide quality, convenient, and affordable options from 7:15am to 5:30pm.

### Grades K – 12 Tuition

St. Mary School Grade Level	Parish Member Annual Tuition	Non-Parishioner Annual Tuition
Elementary (K-5)	\$4,880	\$6,600*
Middle School (6-8)	\$6,030	\$7,750*
High School (9-12)	\$8,810	\$10,530*

*\*An additional non-parishioner fee of \$1720 will be added per student in K-12 to families who are not members of a Green Bay Diocese Parish. Families are asked to identify their parish affiliation in PowerSchool as part of the enrollment process.*

### Ray & Marie Miller Tuition Grant

SMCS was blessed to receive a significant bequest on behalf of Ray & Marie Miller. In honoring their wishes, SMCS created grants to offset middle and high school tuition. Enrolled families will be contacted in June to opt in for these grants. While these are not need-based grants, we ask that you prayerfully consider whether to opt in or renew each year.

- \$200 grant available for Grades 6 - 8
- \$500 grant available for Grades 9 - 12



## Tuition Assistance Information

Our tuition assistance award process is confidential, compassionate, and need-based.

- SMCS partners with FACTS Tuition Management to award tuition assistance. FACTS recommendations will serve as a guide.
- Enrolled families will be alerted once the 2025-26 Tuition Assistance Application opens.
- The application is free to apply during the month-long priority consideration period, from February 15th to March 15th.
- After the priority consideration period, there will be a \$45 fee to apply
- Families must apply for tuition assistance each year. Awards do not automatically renew.

To ensure that all of our generously donated tuition assistance funds are available to help families desiring the premier Catholic education SMCS provides, we ask families seeking any form of subsidy to apply through FACTS for assistance. **Financial need will not be a barrier to enrolling in SMCS.**

## Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)

SMCS participates in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. The state application period runs from February 3rd to April 17th. Please review eligibility requirements at: [dpi.wi.gov/choice](http://dpi.wi.gov/choice) or contact [Tuition@smcatholicsschools.org](mailto:Tuition@smcatholicsschools.org) for more information. Being awarded the WPCP grant means free tuition for your child grades 4K and K-12 at SMCS.

Family Size	Single Parent 2024* Income	Married 2024* Income
2	\$44,968	XX
3	\$56,804	\$63,804
4	\$68,640	\$75,640
5	\$80,476	\$87,476
6	\$92,312	\$99,312
7	\$104,148	\$111,148
8	\$115,984	\$122,984
9	\$127,820	\$134,820

\*2023 income can be used to qualify if you apply for the WPCP prior to filing 2023 taxes.

## RaiseRight – Scrip Program

RaiseRight scrip is a year-round benefit that allows all SMCS families to turn everyday purchases into tuition credit. On average, families are earning over \$500 per year through RaiseRight, with many earning over \$1,000!

How it works: Buy gift cards or ecards through the RaiseRight website or app at face value to use at thousands of retailers in store or online. The retailers provide a rebate to SMCS. SMCS gives back 80% of the rebates to our families as quarterly tuition credits.

## Tax Benefit Opportunity for Full Tuition-Paying Families

There is a significant difference between the cost to educate a student and what SMCS charges for tuition. Therefore, we are again extending an invitation for families to help cover this gap. Those who feel called to help cover their “Cost to Educate” are encouraged to donate \$2,500. These donations will be considered a charitable gift for tax purposes and will be invoiced separately to be paid by May 15, 2025. There is no expectation, and this is not tuition. To inquire about how to take advantage of this tax benefit, please contact [Advancement@smcatholicsschools.org](mailto:Advancement@smcatholicsschools.org).



## Fees

Fee Type	Elementary School	Middle School	High School
Technology Integration	\$105	6 <sup>th</sup> : \$210, 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> : \$155	\$155
Activity	\$68	\$88	\$48
Extra-Curricular(s)	Varied based on activity	Varied based on activity	Varied based on activity
Curricular	Band fee: \$155 annually	Band fee: \$210 annually	Fine Arts: \$83 per class, per semester
Zephyrs Gold Raffle	\$200 per family	\$200 per family	\$200 per family

*Additional curricular fees assessed at the High School level will appear on the first tuition bill. These fees can include freshman class fee: \$26, senior graduation fee: \$88, J-Term: \$78, retreats: \$31, and testing fees (10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>): \$22. Other charges for AP, CAPP, Distance Learning, Blended Education, and ACT testing will be billed on an individual basis and rates. Fees are subject to change.*

### Technology Integration

The Technology Integration fee is assessed to help support the varying costs associated with the SMCS commitment to providing system-wide, innovative technology programming. It incorporates network infrastructure maintenance, software licensing fees, online learning subscriptions, and printing fees. At the Elementary and Middle School levels, iPad or MacBook Air case repairs, annual lease, and licensing fees are included.

### Activity

The Activity fee is assessed to provide field trips and guest speaker opportunities for our students without collecting separate fees throughout the year.

### Extra-Curriculars

SMCS students enjoy a variety of activities in service, robotics, academics, forensics and more!

- Athletics - Middle and high school Athletic registrations are to be completed and paid for online on our Spirit Store. Please go to the Athletics page on our website and click "Spirit Store" to register. Fees vary by sport and must be paid by the deadlines communicated.
- Fine Arts/Plays/Musicals/STEM/Clubs - Middle school and high school: Extra-Curricular activities require separate registration and payment.

### Zephyrs Gold Raffle

Families can sell Zephyrs Gold Raffle tickets the second semester to support SMCS operations. Families choosing not to sell the raffle tickets will be assessed a \$200 Zephyrs Gold Raffle fee.



## Enrollment

SMCS uses PowerSchool for enrollment, student services, and family notifications. This includes system data, lunch accounts, grades and scheduling (6-12) and communications. It is important for all parents to ensure that their contact information is accurately updated on an ongoing basis. Download the app for quick access and up-to-date communication regarding enrollment forms, permission slips, lunch account balances, and to update contact information.

## Current St. Mary Catholic School Students Re-enrollment

Current SMCS students will be re-enrolled through PowerSchool for the 2025-26 school year. Families must complete an online form in February stating their children are returning to qualify for the reduced \$75 per student enrollment fee. The reduced fees will be added to existing tuition accounts on March 15<sup>th</sup>. There is a max reduced re-enrollment fee of \$225 per family. Enrollment fees are non-refundable and are not deducted from tuition fees.

If your family does not intend to return to St. Mary Catholic Schools for the 2025-26 school year, please email [admissions@smcatholicsschools.org](mailto:admissions@smcatholicsschools.org)

## New Students

Families with new students can apply to enroll on our website at any time. Our Enrollment Coordinator is available to provide guidance and answer questions throughout the enrollment process at [admissions@smcatholicsschools.org](mailto:admissions@smcatholicsschools.org). New students who have applied for enrollment by March 15<sup>th</sup> will be assessed a \$75 per student early enrollment fee on their 2025-26 tuition bill. There is a \$225 maximum early enrollment fee per family. Applications will be accepted after this date if there is room available. After March 15<sup>th</sup>, the fee increases to \$105 per student (family maximum \$315).

## Billing and Refunds

SMCS partners with Blackbaud Tuition Management to invoice and collect tuition and fees. This allows families to log in anytime to review billing, make additional payments, and access payment receipts, and year-end statements for tax purposes.

New families will be emailed a link to create a Blackbaud tuition account in the summer. At that time, families pay registration fees and choose a payment plan preference. SMCS offers quarterly, monthly and pay in full options. Tuition is due in full by May 31<sup>st</sup>.

For billing and refund purposes, the school year is divided into 10 months (August to May). If a student withdraws or is asked to leave an SMCS school, the following guidelines will be used:

- If paying monthly, there will be no refund of the initial (first month) payment, regardless of the number of days a student is in class.
- For those who have prepaid, tuition will be prorated through the end of the month of withdrawal. For example, if a student withdraws on October 9, tuition would be prorated for three months (August-October) and the refund would be for seven months (November-May). Assistance, scholarships, and discounts will also be prorated using this formula.