Investment in Saint John's Catholic Prep

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WELCOME

- Discuss the types of Financial Aid opportunities available both internally and externally

- Cover the documentation and deadlines for the various scholarships and grants



Types of Funding Available

Affording private school, how can you make it happen for your child? How can you invest in your child's future?

Catholic, private education comes with a price tag. Some people plan for this, some do not. There are several vehicles to help reduce the impact on your family's financial landscape.

- Internal Scholarships/Financial Aid
- External Scholarships/Financial Aid

FACTS Financial Aid Management

What is FACTS Financial Aid Management?

FACTS Financial Aid Management is an independent, third-party company that utilizes your information to prepare a financial analysis in determining your family's financial need. This tool is utilized by various groups to assist in the distribution of financial assistance, grants, and scholarships.

Saint John's Catholic Prep, Archdiocese of Baltimore, Frederick County Parish Tuition Assistance Fund, and Friends of Catholic Education receive a confidential report outlining your financial picture based on the information provided by you on the online application and through your tax documents. This report, along with your family's total tuition amount, is used in determining your financial need. The various groups all use this information in determining tuition assistance awards.



FACTS Financial Aid Management

Documents Needed to apply in FACTS:

- Your 2025 and 2026 federal income tax return, with all supporting schedules.

  Note: If applicant and co-applicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same year.

- Copies of all 2025 and 2026 W2s for both applicant and co-applicant as soon as available.
- If you do not file a tax return, you are required to provide documentation of all income received.
- FACTS deadline February 11, 2027.

FACTS Financial Aid Management

Other items for FACTS:

- On the assessment, it is useful for the reader if the applicant uses the narrative section to provide additional information regarding current financial situation that can't be ascertained through numbers.
- Must indicate parish on assessment.
- **IMPORTANT,** to be considered for ***any*** financial assistance, grants, and/or scholarships through Archdiocese of Baltimore (AOB), Frederick County Parish Tuition Assistance Fund (FCPTAF), Friends of Catholic Education (FOCE) or Saint John's Catholic Prep (SJCP), **you must apply through FACTS Financial Aid Management.**

YOU ONLY NEED TO APPLY ONCE, BUT YOU MUST REAPPLY EVERY YEAR

Internal Scholarships and Grants

Academic Scholarships (documents already provided during Admissions process) Awards determined by:

- Report Cards/Official Transcript
- Teacher Recommendations
- HSPT scores



Internal Scholarships and Grants

Fine Arts Scholarships

- Recommendation Form found in Blackbaud
- **Due 12/11/2026**

Athletic Scholarship

- Recommendation Form found in Blackbaud
- **Due 12/11/2026**

Internal Scholarships and Grants

Catholic School Employee Grant

- $2,000 grant for the first child
- $1,000 for each additional child if either parent is an employee at a Catholic School
- Employment must be verified
- Only one parent eligible
- Grant is applied for each year student is enrolled

Other Internal Grants

- SJCP receives grant money from a variety of external sources that we award to students who show need.

External Scholarships/Grants

- **Friends of Catholic Education (FOCE)**
- **Frederick County Parish Tuition Assistance Fund (FCPTAF)**
- **Broadening Options & Opportunities for Students Today (BOOST)**
- **West Virginia Hope Scholarship Program**
- **Knott Scholarship**
- **Folds of Honor**
- **The Theresa F. Truschel Charitable Foundation, Inc.**
- **Saint Katharine Drexel Scholarship Essay**



External Scholarships/Grants

All External Scholarships and Aid

The organizations listed are responsible for their own application process and the financial aid they award.

SJCP has no input on these awards and communication should be with the outside organization, not with SJCP.

SJCP will be made aware of all awards given, but please inform the Admissions office once you receive an award so that we can document in your file.

External Scholarships/Grants

FRIENDS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

- **FACTS Financial Aid Management must be submitted by February 28, 2027,** for the FOCE application to be considered
- Parents will be notified in February by email when the FOCE application is available
- Principal and teacher input required
- DEADLINE: Completed applications with ALL documents returned to SJCP by **March 15, 2027**. No applications will be accepted after this date

External Scholarships/Grants

FREDERICK COUNTY PARISH TUITION ASSISTANCE FUND

REQUIREMENTS

- Your family must be registered at one of the following Frederick County parishes:
  - St. John the Evangelist
  - St. Katharine Drexel
  - St. Peter the Apostle
  - St. Timothy
  - St. Joseph-on-Carrollton Manor
  - Holy Family Catholic Community
  - St. Ignatius of Loyola
  - St Francis of Assisi/St. Mary

External Scholarships/Grants

FREDERICK COUNTY PARISH TUITION ASSISTANCE FUND

- Your family must be an active, registered member of the parish and contribute financially on a regular basis.
- Deadline: Applicants must apply through **FACTS Financial Aid Management by February 28, 2027**
- Must indicate Parish affiliation on FACTS Financial Aid Management
- Awards will be made based on family need and the requirements of the Frederick County Tuition Assistance Fund
- Parish awards will be close to June 1, 2027



External Scholarships/Grants

BOOST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- The Broadening Options and Opportunities for Students Today (BOOST) program can provide scholarships for students who are eligible for the free or reduced lunch program and attend eligible nonpublic schools. SJCP is an eligible school.
- Established in March 2016 by the Maryland State General Assembly, administered by MSDE.
- Scholarship Program will continue as long as the program is funded by the state.
- Currently, students who are already BOOST recipients and their siblings are eligible. This can change based on the Maryland State General Assembly.
- For more information and to apply go to: marylandpublicschools.org/pages/boost/index.aspx



External Scholarships/Grants

West Virginia Hope Scholarship Program

- The West Virginia Hope Scholarship Program is the state's education savings account program.
- The scholarship allows K-12 students to receive financial assistance that can be used for tuition and other qualifying expenses at designated schools. SJCP is one of those schools.
- Please visit hopescholarshipwv.com to obtain information and see eligibility requirements.

External Scholarships/Grants

KNOTT SCHOLARSHIP

- The Knott Scholarship Funds award four-year, full-tuition scholarships to attend a Catholic Elementary or Catholic High School. These scholarships honor Catholic students who excel in academics.
- The application can be found at knottscholar.org
- Click “Secondary Scholarship”
- Find “How to Apply” and click on the link.
- Parents can begin their child’s application in the online portal. The portal officially opens January 28, 2026, for the following academic year. They must be submitted no later than **5:00 pm on Friday, March 5, 2027.**



External Scholarships/Grants

FOLDS OF HONOR CHILDREN'S FUND SCHOLARSHIP

- The Folds of Honor Children's Fund Scholarship program seeks to provide educational scholarships to spouses and children of America's fallen and disabled service-members.
- Application can be found at: foldsofhonor.org/resources/scholarships
- The scholarship application opens on February 1st and closes on **March 31st at 6:00 PM**
- For more information: foldsofhonor.org



External Scholarships/Grants

THERESA F. TRUSCHEL SCHOLARSHIP

- Established to provide scholarships to students attending Catholic schools at all levels.
- Application can be found at: sites.google.com/site/theresaftruschel
- The Scholarship application is only available April 1st through April 30th.
- Applications must be postmarked by **April 30th**.
- For more information:
  Phone (410) 494-4463
  TheresaFtruschel@gmail.com



External Scholarships/Grants

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL ESSAY CONTEST

- Saint Katharine Drexel holds an essay contest to motivate students to know and appreciate certain teachings of the Catholic Church.
- The Scholarship essay competition is open to anyone who will be a high school student in the Fall, 2027 and who is a member of Saint Katharine Drexel Parish.
- Applications must be requested by contacting the Business Manager at skdmanager@saintdrexel.org.
- The completed application, essay, and letter of reference must be returned by **January 15, 2027**.
- For additional information, go to: saintdrexel.org, scroll down to the box labeled Drexel Essay Contest



Other Opportunities to Defray Costs

FOCE Food Certificate Program

- Order and purchase grocery gift cards as you need them through the SJCP captain to earn tuition credits
- Credits reported monthly and are applied to your tuition account
- Friends and grandparents can also participate and donate those credits to your child(ren).

Participating Stores:

- Giant Food Store
- Giant Eagle
- Weis
- Food Lion
- Safeway

Deadlines

SJCP Financial Aid

- Deadline – February 11, 2027
- 2025 taxes and 2025 and 2026 W2s in FACTS Financial Aid Management for Early Application Status, 2026 taxes submitted as soon as possible once completed
- Rolling – ongoing until available aid is gone

Internal Scholarships

- Deadline – December 11, 2026
- Rolling – ongoing until available aid is gone

Timeline

Acceptance Notification Date – February 18, 2027

- Admissions decision via email
- Enrollment Contract with Financial Aid Package available through Blackbaud

Deposit with Signed Enrollment Contract and Payment Plan – March 5, 2027 (9th grade)

Deposit with Signed Enrollment Contract and Payment Plan – April 16, 2027 (10th, 11th , 12th grades)

Acceptance of Adjusted Enrollment Contracts and Financial Aid – June 24, 2027

Questions?

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