

St. Benedict School Tuition Rates 2017-18 School Year PreK-3 and PreK-4



Registration fee \$125.00 per family is paid in full at the time the registration forms are completed.

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Returning families must re-register by April 1, 2017

After April 1, 2017 registration fee is \$175.00

PreK-4 Program

Tuition Rates:

Full Days (Monday-Friday) \$4,790

1/2 Days (Monday-Friday) \$3,230

PreK-3 Program

Tuition Rates:

Full Days (Monday-Friday) \$5,200 Full Days (Mon.-Wed.-Fri.) \$3,125

Full Days (Tuesday & Thursday) \$2,100

1/2 Days (Monday-Friday) \$3,985 1/2 Days (Mon.-Wed.-Fri.) \$2,400

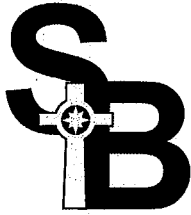
1/2 Days (Tue. & Th.) \$1,600

ST. BENEDICT PARISH AND SCHOOL FUNDRAISERS SUBSIDIZE ALL OF OUR STUDENT'S TUITION COSTS. THE ACTUAL COST OF EDUCATION FOR A STUDENT IN 2017-18 IS \$6,900. WE ARE GREATLY APPRECIATIVE OF OUR PARISH'S SUPPORT AND ALL OF THE PARENTS AND VOLUNTEERS WHO HELP TO MAKE OUR SCHOOL'S TUITION MORE AFFORDABLE TO THOSE SEEKING A QUALITY CATHOLIC EDUCATION. ST. BENEDICT PARISH GENEROUSLY PROVIDES \$220,000 TOWARDS OUR SCHOOL'S BUDGET.

Additional Information :

- Each (Pre-K) family is asked to sell 5 Dare-to-Dream fundraising tickets. All proceeds from this event go toward the cost of educating your child.
- Tuition is discounted the amount of our monthly processing fee (\$40) if you pay in full by August 7, 2017.
- All registered families not paying the full tuition by August 7th must enroll in our E-Tuition payment system. E-Tuition is an electronic payment system automatically transferring monthly tuition payments from your checking or savings account to St. Benedict's. The first E-Tuition payment is made Monday, August 15, 2017.

Financial Assistance: St. Benedict's School provides tuition assistance to families based on financial need. We continue to operate under the belief that no child should be denied a Catholic education for financial reasons. If your family has financial assistance needs, please contact Principal Dr. Michael C. LaFever, (835-2518) to obtain financial aid applications.



Saint Benedict School

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Dear St. Benedict Parents & Prospective Parents:

Over the last several months the School Finance Committee, the Board of Education, and the Parish Trustees have been crafting the budget for the 2017-2018 school year. Each year, they work to ensure that during Catholic Schools Week everyone will know the tuition for the coming year as a part of the registration process.

All of the members of these groups are volunteers and in many cases parents of our school. They are sensitive to keeping tuition affordable but at the same time mindful of the need to make our school affordable to the parish. St. Benedict parish will contribute \$220,000 next year to subsidize the school budget. Like many Catholic parishes that are aging, the contributions continue to diminish making each year more difficult to subsidize the school. It would be so helpful for our school families to participate in the life of the parish by attending Mass regularly and contributing to parish. The ultimate goal is for a parish school to be financially self-sufficient.

During budget deliberations there were extensive discussions on how to continue to improve the school facility as well as the technology program for our students. This year we were able to replace all of our dysfunctional clocks, install LED lighting throughout the school, and install many whiteboards in classrooms. In the next budget we hope to replace the non-functioning PA system with a new phone system that has PA capabilities in each classroom. In addition, the new budget includes funding for student laptops starting in 8th grade and building up an inventory over the next three years that will see laptops and iPad available for every student K-8.

Due to the increase in school enrollment and controlled spending, it was possible to lower next year's tuition increase to 2.5%. A technology fee will be added for the first time next year. This fee will be used to purchase hardware and to help defray the cost of services and infrastructure necessary to run the computer system. The technology fee is for grades K-8 and will be \$100 for the first student in a family and \$75 for each subsequent student family member.

Attached to this letter is the tuition and fee schedule for 2017-18.

Thank you, for your continued support.

Sincerely,


Dr. Michael C. LaFever
Principal

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K through 8th Grade



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(K-8) NON-PARISHIONER RATE - Tuition for each child \$4,800.00

Technology Fee \$100.00 (1st child, \$75 for each add'l child)

(K-8) PARISHIONER RATE – Active Parishioners benefit from a discounted tuition rate. Families qualify for a Parishioner rate if they are actively sharing time, talent and/or treasure, and regularly attending weekend liturgy.

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| Tuition for first child..... | \$3,550.00 |
| Technology Fee..... | \$100.00 |
| Each Additional child..... | \$2,965.00 |
| Technology Fee..... | \$75.00 |

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