SAINT MARY STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC SCHOOL
2027-2028 Tuition and Fees

Did you know?

The annual cost to educate a student at Saint Mary Star of the Sea is approximately **$15,000**. School expenses continue to go up (salaries, benefits, utilities, maintenance, etc.) and it is necessary to raise tuition to keep up with rising expenses. Due to the generosity of the diocese, alumni, and parents, we are able to offer discounts to make Catholic education at Saint Mary Star of the Sea School as affordable as possible.

APPLICATION FEE: $50 (non-refundable)

Families must submit a complete enrollment packet and set up a payment plan through their FACTS Family Portal. Re-enroll here: **Facts Family Portal**. Contact Isabella Filipi, **ifilipi@smsscs.org** for assistance.

TUITION

Kindergarten-8th Grade	**Catholic***	**Non-Catholic**
First Student	$7,510	$10,015
Second Student	$5,635	$7,510
Third Student	$4,880	$7,510
Each Additional Student	$3,755	$7,510

*Catholic Rate - Child's Baptismal record is on file with the school.

EL3 (Early Learners) and JK4 (Jr. Kindergarten)	
Half Day - 5 Days a week for EL3	$6,202
Full Day - 5 Days a week for EL3 and JK4	$8,860

ENROLLMENT FEE: $200, due at the time of application

CURRICULUM FEES - EL3 & JK4: $400 per student (non-refundable)
Includes educational material, supplies, facilities fee, Diocesan student insurance, and Pastoral Center Support Contribution.

CURRICULUM FEES - K-8th: $600 per student (non-refundable)
Includes educational material & supplies, textbook rental, consumable workbooks, technology fees & regular maintenance, annual standardized testing fees, Diocesan student insurance and Pastoral Center Support Contribution.

*Curriculum Fees are assessed on July 1 and due by July 31.(**Late Fees: $25, Returned Fee Charges: $30)**

FAMILY SERVICE & FUNDRAISING OBLIGATION
Active parental involvement is essential to the success of Saint Mary Star of the Sea Catholic School. Each family is required to fulfill the following annual commitments:

AUCTION RAFFLE TICKETS: Purchase or sell one book of auction raffle tickets.
SERVICE HOURS: Complete a minimum of 25 service hours through approved school volunteer opportunities during the school year. Families not fulfilling hours will be charged $25/hour.

Applying for Additional Financial Assistance

Tuition assistance is available to all families who qualify. Over **$330,000** in aid was awarded for the **2026-2027 school year**. More information can be found on the school website at **https://www.saintmarystarofthesea.com**.

Families who seek financial assistance for 2027-2028 can apply now with **FACTS Financial Assistance**.

Documents Required

Submission Date	W2	Tax Return
December 1, 2026- February 15, 2027	2025	2025
After February 15, 2027	2026	2026

The financial assistance application can be accessed online at **https:/online.factsmgt.com/grant-aid**. Log in or create an Account and a user ID/Password. Follow the application prompts and a **$40 Financial Assistance Application fee** will be required upon submission.

All applications are processed through the FACTS Grant & Aid Company. Financial Assistance applies to tuition only and will be awarded as funds are available following FACTS processing and the diocesan-verified completed application process.

For more information or questions about FACTS Financial Assistance, please contact the school business office at: (757) 723-6358 or by email: **finance@smsscs.org**.

Before and Afterschool Care

Beyond the Bell charges billed on the 1st of the following month and due on the 15th.

Before School (7 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.)	$120 Monthly, per family
Before School (7 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.)	$30 Weekly, per child
Before School (7 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.)	$10 Daily, per child
After school - 4.30 p.m.	$200 Monthly, per child, (+$10 late pick up)
After school - 5:30 p.m.	$300 Monthly per child, (+$2 per minute late pick up)
After School - 5:30 p.m.	$80 Weekly Rate
After School - 5:30 p.m	$20 Daily Rate

Any student not picked up by 3:30 p.m. will automatically be signed into Beyond the Bell, and the applicable daily rate will apply.

No refunds for institutional closings or conflicts with other after-school activities.