

FAIR SHARE

Dear Parents,

FAIR SHARE is a concept that asks each family to consider how much of the "per pupil cost" they are truly able to pay. The tuition you pay is less than 60% that total. The balance comes from fundraisers, donations, and the parish subsidy. Some families are able to contribute above the charged tuition while other families struggle to meet that payment. You are asked to prayerfully consider whether or not you could contribute more than the stated tuition. The minimum pledge under the FAIR SHARE concept must be the stated tuition amount. The concept of stewardship asks all of us what portion of our blessings we can return to God and the Church.

FAIR SHARE is a concept that has been well-received. Any amount of money you pledge over the stated tuition and fees of the school is TAX DEDUCTIBLE. The only stipulation is that this donation above the minimum tuition pledge must be collected AFTER the full tuition payment is made. After the minimum listed tuition and fees have been paid, all additional payments are a tax credit.

Our parish has made, and continues to make, a significant contribution to the support of the school. FAIR SHARE is an attempt to help the parish, the school, and parents.

Keep in mind, also, that stewardship of time and talent is equally important. Your service to the school through support and participation in fundraisers and other projects is vital to the school. We ask that you make volunteering and the use of Scrip a key element of your participation in St. John - Sacred Heart School.

Using this FAIR SHARE plan should not affect your parish support because then this entire effort would be unproductive. The parish needs your support to continue as well.

For those unable to participate in FAIR SHARE, know that we understand. And know too, that if you need financial assistance, help is available. Contact the school office for a financial aid application form. This request is strictly confidential. Only Father Philip will review the request.

And finally, thank you for entrusting your child's education with our parish school. Your commitment to Catholic education is outstanding.

May God bless you,

The School Board of St. John - Sacred Heart School
Tina Moehn, President