

December 2019

Dear Catholic School Parent,

RE: FINANCIAL AID FOR 2020/2021 SCHOOL YEAR
Deadline for 20/21---Apply by FEBRUARY 15, 2020

<p>2020/2021 FINANCIAL AID: Deadline: February 15, 2020 Online.factsmgt.com/aid ***** FACTS Portal open 11/15/19</p>
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As more families are applying for financial aid and have reasonable expectations that aid will be awarded in a timely manner once their application and supporting documentation have been submitted, the Catholic School Office of the Syracuse Diocese has chosen to utilize FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment for 2020/2021.

For our 20/21 financial aid assessment process, we are partnering with FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment to conduct the financial need analysis and verification for the schools of our Diocese. We encourage families to apply on-line because on-line applications are able to be processed immediately by FACTS. To apply on-line visit online.factsmgt.com/aid. If you need assistance with applying on-line, please contact your SCHOOL. Each school will have paper applications available for those families who cannot apply on-line. FACTS Customer Care Representatives are available to assist you at 866.441.4639.

Our first and largest round of financial aid is TAP A, which is funded by HOPE APPEAL. In order to be eligible for TAP A awards, families will need to COMPLETE their financial aid application and submit their supporting documentation to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment by FEBRUARY 15, 2020.

The processing fee for each application is \$30 per family. Once a parent applies, they can log into their FACTS account to check the status of their application, and FACTS will provide bi-weekly follow-up communication to parents if their application is incomplete. There is NO additional fee if parents have children in two or more schools of our Diocese. An incomplete application can't be processed.

- **Financial aid is available to grades K-12 ONLY – we are unable to provide financial aid for PRE-K.**
- **In order to receive financial assistance – families must submit a completed FACTS application.**
- **Financial aid applications are required so that we can better allocate our tuition assistance to those who need it most.**

Supporting documentation can be scanned and uploaded or faxed (866.315.9264) to FACTS. Supporting documentation should include:

- Processing fee \$30.00 (if paying by check)
- Copies of parent's 2019 tax return if available, otherwise use 2018 – including all supporting tax schedules
- W-2's for the parent (and spouse if applicable) – W2 should match the tax return being submitted
- Copies of Social Security Income, Child Support, Food Stamps, Worker's Compensation and TANF (if applicable)

We look forward to working with FACTS once again as we partner to provide an outstanding educational experience for the children of the families of our Diocese.

Sincerely,

Principal

William Crist
Superintendent