



St. Lawrence Catholic School

2020-2021 Financial Assistance Options

... make disciples."
Matthew 28:19

St. Lawrence Catholic School's administration, School Advisory Board, faculty, and staff intentionally strive to keep a St. Lawrence education affordable and accessible by charging less than the actual cost of education for all students. In addition to supporting a subsidized tuition model and controlling cost inflation for families, St. Lawrence Catholic School provides significant need-based financial aid. The following options are available:

1. St. Lawrence Tuition Assistance

- Assistance from STL based on the financial profile of each family.
- Application opens January 8, 2020.
- Visit the following link: <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>.
- Tax return, W2s, 1099s (as applicable) must be uploaded
- Application deadline is March 31, 2020.
- Completed FACTS grant/aid applications will be reviewed beginning in February 2020 until July 31, 2020 OR until funds are dispersed.

2. Diocesan Catholic School Tuition Aid Grant (CSTAG) @ Parish Level

- The Catholic School Tuition Aid Grant (CSTAG award) is the only grant given by the Diocese to aid families with school tuition costs. CSTAG is available to any Parish supporting student in the Diocese of St. Petersburg. (A Parish form must be on file with St. Lawrence).
- CSTAG uses the SAME application as St. Lawrence Tuition Assistance. Visit the following link: <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>.
- Application deadline is March 31, 2020.

3. Mary C. Forbes Foundation

- Mary C. Forbes grants are for Catholic students in the Diocese of St. Petersburg.
- Eligibility is income based. (Similar to Step Up income levels).
- Please contact Mrs. Frances Alarcon at (813) 879-5090 ext.225 for an application.
- Application deadline is March 28, 2020.

4. Step Up For Students @ Parish Level

- Award is income-based scholarship
- Renewal families may apply now for a scholarship for the 2020-2021 school year and will have processing priority until Jan. 31, 2020. If a renewal family applies on or after Feb. 1, 2020, they will lose their priority status over new applications.
- New families: www.stepupforstudents.org
- **Gardiner Scholarship (formerly known as PLSA)**
- The Gardiner Scholarship program helps students with specific disabilities
- A student must have a written diagnosis from a licensed physician or psychologist that identifies the qualifying disabilities.
- For information and application: <https://www.stepupforstudents.org/logins/special-needs-login/>

5. AAA Scholarship

- Income based scholarship from AAA Foundation.
- Application online at <https://www.aaascholarships.org/>
- For questions: call 1-888-707-2465

NOTE: Deadlines are strictly enforced. Funds are limited and are only available for those who complete all applications fully and comply with each assistance opportunity.

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Our Mission Statement: *St. Lawrence Catholic School community is dedicated to the creation of a Christ-centered environment which allows students to learn to serve God and others, to develop their unique talents and skills, to strive for academic excellence, and to become life-long learners.*