

## Financial Assistance Information (K5 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade only)

## **Parish Grant**

To qualify for Parish Grant, the following applies:

- You must be registered in a Catholic parish.
- All family members must attend Mass weekly.
- You must be an active member of your parish by sharing your time, talent and treasure.
- You must make verifiable contributions toward your parish through the Offertory, Catholic Sharing Appeal or Parish Building Fund.
- St. Paul Families return a completed Parish Participation Grant Form to school.
- Other Catholic Parish Families return Parish Participation Grant Form with your Priest signature.
- Note: pastors reserve the right to revoke the subsidy if a family is not meeting the established obligations.

## **INCOME-BASE SCHOLARSHIP**

# Step up for Students https://www.stepupforstudents.org AAA Income-base Scholarship http://www.aaascholarships.org/

Family Empowerment Scholarship (apply through the Step up for students or AAA Scholarship link)

In 2001, the Florida Legislature created the income-based Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program to assure that low-income children have more learning options. The scholarships are based on financial need, not how well your child does in school. Families can receive financial assistance toward private school tuition and fees (2020-2021 paid up to \$6,956 towards tuition).

Children who income qualify must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 entering Kindergarten or 6 years old on or before Sept. 1 entering first grade.

For more information on these scholarships please go to the link listed above.

#### McKay Scholarship https://www.fldoe.org

In order to be eligible for the McKay Scholarship Program, a student must apply for the program prior to withdrawing from public school. The student must also have an Individual Education Plan (IEP)\* or 504 Accommodation Plan, and:

- Have been enrolled and reported for funding in a Florida public school during the preceding October and February Florida Education Finance Program surveys (Grades K-12); or
- Have been a pre-kindergarten student who was enrolled and reported for funding in a Florida public school during the preceding October and February Florida Education Finance Program surveys and was at least 4 years old; or
- Have been a pre-kindergarten student who was reported as having received Specialized Instructional Services by the Office of Early Learning and was at least 4 years old; or

If your child meets the eligibility requirements, you may apply for a scholarship. If your child does not meet these requirements but has an IEP or 504 Accommodation Plan he or she may be eligible for a McKay Scholarship if the child:

- is a foster child (foster intent form; or
- is a dependent child of a member of the United States Armed Forces who transfers to a school in Florida from out of state or from a foreign country pursuant to a parent's permanent change of station orders (Please contact this office at 1-800-447-1636 for additional information.)

\* Please note that students with a "gifted only" designation and an Eligibility Plan (EP) do not meet the eligibility criteria for the McKay Scholarship Program.

### FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3T2J4

For Financial Hardship cases a third-party assessment application must be completed through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment to be considered for financial aid.