



Diocese of Grand Rapids
Parish Support Form 2023-2024
Catholic Central High School or West Catholic High School

Parent/Guardian Names _____
Last Name First Name(s)

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please List High School Students Only

Student Name _____ Grade Entering _____ CCHS _____ WCHS _____

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By signing this form, I am accepting responsibility for being an active member of this parish through regular participation at worship and the stewardship of my time, talent and treasure. If parish support is granted, I understand that my parish will provide \$885 of support per student to reduce my tuition and an additional \$665 per student in support of the school where my child/ren is/are in attendance.

Envelope # _____

 Parishioner Signature

PARISH USE ONLY – Please email to Diocese by January 7, 2023

This parish will provide support for the Catholic high school education of our parishioner students (9-12) enrolled in Catholic Central or West Catholic High School. Parish support has been designated at \$1,550 (\$885 student portion/\$665 school portion) per student for the 2023-2024 school year.

Approved Pastor requests a meeting with parent(s)/student(s) Denied

Pastor (or authorized designee) Signature _____

Parish _____ Parish Phone Number _____

Contact Person _____ Email _____

***Please submit this form to your pastor by December 1, 2022.**

Please see instructions on page 2.

Please note that this form will be returned to the family if received uncompleted by the parish.

Your parish will forward this form on to the Business Office. Please submit one form per school.

The Business Office will apply Parish Support to your tuition invoice and will invoice your parish upon receipt of the approved form.

**Parish Instructions: Please mail to GRCSS, 360 Division Avenue S., Grand Rapids, MI 49503
 or email to: DOlney@grdiocese.org**

There is no substitute for a quality Catholic school education. As a result, parishes in the Diocese of Grand Rapids support the ministry of Catholic schools through a high level of financial investment in the Catholic schools that serve the children of registered and active parishioner families, even if their parish does not have its own school. This significant financial support is contributed by the family's parish directly to the Catholic parish/school so that parishioner families can receive the "in parish tuition rate". This parish support is a substantial benefit to families by making them eligible to receive the parishioner rate of tuition rather than the higher non-parishioner rate.

Parishes without schools:

- Support for elementary schools (K-8) is set at \$1,550 per student for the school year 2023-2024 with an increase of \$50 per year for successive years. This support is granted on behalf of those parishioners who request it and have the support of their pastors. In return, with the acceptance of the support by the receiving parish, the parishioner shall receive the "in parish tuition rate".
- Support for secondary schools (9-12) is set at \$1,550 per student for the school year 2023-2024 with an increase of \$50 per year for successive years.

Parishes with schools operated or sponsored by a parish:

- Parishes that operate and sponsor an elementary school are not obliged to support another elementary school but are expected to provide support at the secondary level (9-12).
- Support for secondary schools (9-12) is set at \$1,550 per student effective the school year 2023-2024 with an increase of \$50 per year for successive years.

Please Note: It is not the intent of this increase in support to our diocesan schools to lower tuition but to provide additional funds for grants and scholarships and other development efforts to maintain excellent schools.

***Instructions:** If you are a registered and active member of a parish and your situation meets the criteria of this policy, please complete the form and submit it directly to your pastor. It is highly recommended that families submit this form to their pastor in person. **There will be no parish support until pastors have verified your parishioner status and it is very helpful for pastors to associate names with faces.** It is also strongly recommended that families maintain regular contact with the pastor while at Mass to give periodic updates regarding their experience at the Catholic school where they are enrolled.