

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL OF KICKAPOO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

**To qualify for any financial assistance program, you must submit an application through the FACTS Grant & Aid program online: <https://online.factsmgmt.com/>
There is a \$35 non-refundable application processing fee, payable with any major credit card.**

FACTS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION:

FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment uses key personal and financial information to evaluate your need for financial aid. By completing an application, you will provide the necessary information to help your school administrators make an informed decision about awarding tuition aid.

The first step of the process is to complete the online application as accurately as possible. You will then need to submit your Federal income tax return, W-2 forms and supporting documentation for nontaxable income to the FACTS Management office. They will then make a recommendation to the educational institution on how much financial assistance is needed by each family that has applied. The final decision on how much financial aid to be given to each family will rest with the educational institution.

- **EMPOWER ILLINOIS:**

This is a program funded by Illinois tax credits that awards scholarships for Illinois Catholic Schools, with the potential to cover up to 100% of tuition (based on family need).

Please visit <https://empowerillinois.org/> for additional information and to apply. ***New Bonus:*** Donors who make a \$4000 donation or more are given the opportunity to choose a St. Mary's student/family to receive a 10% tuition discount. (Contact Principal Bill Lamb for more details.)

- **KINDERGARTEN INCENTIVE:**

Register your child for Kindergarten at St. Mary's for the 2022-23 school year and you will receive a 50% tuition reduction for your Kindergarten student.

**Not to be combined with any other grants, scholarships or multi-child discounts.*

- **JOHN LANCASTER SPALDING SCHOLARSHIP:**

This scholarship program is funded through the Diocese of Peoria's Endowment fund (based on family need). The applicant must be an active member in good standing of a Parish in the Diocese of Peoria.

- **NEW STUDENT DISCOUNT:**

This grant is for NEW students entering 1st through 8th grades as transfer students; transferring from another public or private school in the area, in good standing.

Transfer families will receive 1/2 off tuition the first year. This offer is good for Catholic & non-Catholic families of all income levels.

****Student(s) must complete a full school year to receive this discount.**

- **REFERRAL GRANT:**

This program will allow current St. Mary's of Kickapoo families to receive a \$500 tuition credit (all income levels qualify). The new family should give the referring family's name when they register; *the St. Mary's family will receive the tuition credit in the spring provided the new family enrolls full-time and stays the entire year.*

- **PRE-K TUITION ASSISTANCE:**

Tuition assistance is available to families who qualify for the State of Illinois Child Care Assistance Program, information is available online through SAL Child Care Connection:

<https://www.salccc.org/pay-child-care/eligibility-and-forms>