



Tuition Assistance through The Diocese of Arlington 2024-2025



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DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Diocese of Arlington Office of Catholic Schools manages this fund through the following:

- Contracting with a financial assessment company to determine financial need.
- Assessing total amount each school receives through this fund.
- Verifying total funds each school has awarded.
- Processing payments to schools.

PROCESS FOR SCHOOLS

- Schools are required to verify tuition assistance awards for current academic year in October by entering DTAP award allocations into FACTS Grant & Aid.
- Financial aid application due dates announced at the beginning of each academic year.
 - High Schools - January 5, 2024
 - Elementary - March 13, 2024
- Schools are notified of DTAP funding for the upcoming academic year.
- Schools determine DTAP tuition assistance awards based on published eligibility requirements for this fund and notify families.



PROCESS / TIMELINE

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

The Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation is supported through tax credit donations and eligibility/awards are regulated through Virginia state legislation.

PROCESS FOR SCHOOLS

- Schools will be notified when the application process is open for the upcoming academic year.
- Schools will verify eligibility requirements in FACTS Grant & Aid. Verified applications will then be accessible to OCS for consideration. Families must submit required tax forms.
- Families must meet eligibility requirements as set by Virginia state legislation.
- OCS will review applications based on eligibility.
- Schools will be notified of Scholarship Foundation award recipients and will notify families of Scholarship Foundation awards.
 - Based on availability of funds and verification of financial aid applications, Scholarship Foundation awards may be determined in multiple rounds.
 - Initial notifications generally in spring.
 - Subsequent notifications will be based on outstanding applications and funding.
 - Awards are based on the city/county in which the student resides and are limited by legislation. Awards cannot exceed tuition cost. Determination of awards is based on the school's per-child tuition rate.
- Schools will notify OCS of any adjustments to awards or when a student has withdrawn from the school.
 - Each elementary and high school will verify enrollment of scholarship recipients.
- Payments from the Scholarship Foundation are made by the Diocese to individual schools in semester payments.
 - The first semester payment is sent in January.
 - The second semester payment is sent in March.

NOTE:

- Awards are made for ONE ACADEMIC YEAR ONLY.
- Students who receive Scholarship Foundation awards will be automatically considered each year but must still meet eligibility requirements each year.
- Awards from this fund are for the specific student, not family, and are transferable to eligible schools.



PROCESS / TIMELINE

ST. BEATRICE SPECIAL TUITION ASSISTANCE

The St. Beatrice Special Tuition Assistance is supported through a generous donor and is designated for single-parent households and families with multiple children in Diocesan schools.

PROCESS FOR SCHOOLS

- Schools will be notified when the application process is open for the upcoming academic year.
- Schools will verify eligibility requirements in FACTS Grant & Aid. Verified applications will then be accessible to OCS for consideration. Families must submit required tax forms.
- Family must have financial aid applications completed (verified) and show calculated need in order to be considered.
- Families must meet eligibility requirements as published.
- Applications are considered on a first come-first served basis. Due to the number of applications submitted, applications received after the due date may not be considered.
- OCS will review each application based on eligibility.
- Schools will be sent notification of St. Beatrice Special Tuition Assistance awards and will notify families.
- Schools will notify OCS when a student/family has withdrawn from the school.
 - Each elementary and high school will verify enrollment of scholarship recipients through FACTS Grant & Aid.
- Payments are made by the Diocese to individual schools in January.

NOTE:

- Awards are made for **ONE ACADEMIC YEAR ONLY**.
- Awards from this fund are for the specific family and can be transferable among Diocesan schools. Contact OCS for more information regarding the transfer of awards to another Diocesan school.



PROCESS / TIMELINE

Award decisions

Schools are responsible for notifying families of tuition assistance awarded.

- Diocesan Tuition Assistance
 - Individual schools determine awards
- Diocesan Scholarship Foundation
 - Awards are based on eligibility requirements established by the state of Virginia
 - The amount per student is limited by the city/county in which the student resides and the availability of funds in the Scholarship Foundation
- St. Beatrice Special Tuition Assistance
 - Awards are determined by OCS based on funding available, eligibility, and number of applications submitted

Questions Regarding Process

Contact Bo Zamoyta

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Questions Regarding Financial Aid Application

Contact FACTS Grant & Aid

1-866-441-4637

<https://online.factsmgt.com/platform/customer-service>



Overview

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DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program provides tuition assistance to families in Diocese of Arlington Catholic schools through funding from diocesan parishes as well as the *Rooted in Faith~Forward in Hope* Capital Campaign Endowment. It is open to all qualified students whose parents might not otherwise be able to pay the full cost of tuition.

ELIGIBILITY

- Students attending or accepted by a Diocese of Arlington Catholic school (K-12).
 - *Preschool and Pre-K are not eligible.*
 - *Not applicable to students of private Catholic schools associated with the Diocese and/or international students.*
- Students who are Catholic and members of a parish in the Diocese of Arlington or military base parish.
- Families who reside within the boundaries of the Diocese of Arlington and are registered and active members of a diocesan parish or a military base parish.

APPLICATION

- Submit financial aid assessment application and all supporting tax documentation by due date
 - Applications will be completed electronically on-line at <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin.aspx> . Only one application is required per family.

AWARDS

- Awards are made for **ONE ACADEMIC YEAR** and are based on each family's demonstrated financial need. Individual schools determine the amount and the distribution of all awards for each academic year and will contact families when award decisions have been made.

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Through Virginia's Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credits program and as a result of tax credit donations, the Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation is able to provide tuition scholarships to eligible students of lower-income families. Applicants must meet the published criteria.

ELIGIBILITY

- Family must complete a financial aid assessment to verify income level.
- Household income (as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau) cannot exceed 300% of the federal poverty guidelines.
 - For students with disabilities, the household income must be less than 400% of the federal poverty guidelines; student must have a verified IEP.
 - Refer to the current Federal Poverty Guidelines Worksheet.
- Applicants must be new to the Diocese of Arlington school system and residents of Virginia.
- Applicants must be transferring from a public school, or from out of state, or enrolling in kindergarten or first grade.
- Or, recipient must have received this scholarship in a prior year.

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- Diocesan Scholarship Foundation eligibility is verified by the local school and submitted to the Office of Catholic Schools for consideration.

AWARDS

- Limited by legislation and cannot exceed tuition cost. Schools will contact families when award decisions have been made.



ST. BEATRICE SPECIAL TUITION ASSISTANCE

Through a generous donor, this extra source of assistance is available for single parent households and families with multiple children in Diocesan schools.

ELIGIBILITY

- Single Parent household and/or
- Family with multiple children grades K-12 in Diocesan schools
 - *Preschool and PreK students are not eligible*
 - *Students of private Catholic schools associated with the Diocese are not eligible*
 - *Students of schools outside the Diocese of Arlington are not eligible*
- Family must show greater than \$0 FACTS Calculated Need

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Award decisions

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