

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

December 13, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

During the second week of Advent, we have the chance to light the second purple candle, the Peace Candle. Advent focuses on repentance each year. During the second Sunday of Advent, we hear John the Baptist proclaim loudly, "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!" Jesus brings the kingdom to Earth when he becomes human. He's completely divine and yet completely human–fully God and fully flesh-and-blood. He's just like me and yet very much not like me at all. Jesus came to bring peace. He tells people, over and over, not to be afraid. But peace begins at home, within our walls and within ourselves.

Congratulations to the 2nd graders who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation last Thursday. Thank you to Mrs. Whitney Castle for preparing the children to understand and receive the sacrament. I ask that you continue to keep them in your prayers.

Student Council will be holding a Hot Chocolate Bar on Dec. 19th. Please see the flyer in today's envelope. Thank you for your support of our Student Council.

It has come to my attention that we have children being dropped off outside before 7:40 am. I am concerned for two reasons: one, winter is here and standing outside is not the best option for anyone, two, the teachers do not pick up the children until 7:40 therefore your child is not being supervised. The safety of your child is our first priority, as I have stated many times. We will have any child that is outside unsupervised come to the before school care program. You will be receiving a bill for this time. If you have any concerns please let me know. I appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

Service hour opportunity: this Friday, December 15th the Family School Association is hosting their annual Family Christmas Party. Please do not wait until the spring to complete your service hours, look in today's envelope for the volunteer signup sheet.

Unfortunately I have not been able to fill the extended care supervisor position that I have been advertising for a number of weeks. I am very fortunate that 3 teachers have stepped up to take on this position. As you know we have an 11:30 dismissal on December 22nd and the teachers have their Christmas luncheon. In order to make sure that the children are supervised I need to know if you will be utilizing the program that

day. Please email me and let me know if your child will be in extended care on Dec. 22nd and the approximate pick up time. Thank you.

You don't want to miss the Family & School Association meeting tonight! We are blessed to have this amazing group of parents who provides some much for our children and our school. Please join them this evening and you could win a \$50.00 Mariano's gift card – perfect for the holidays!!! See the flyer in today's envelope.

Invest in Kids Act

This is such an important opportunity for many of our families. We are so blessed to have another SGO that will be supporting Catholic education. I have added the link for the Big Shoulders Fund SGO.

The Illinois Invest in Kids Act: <u>http://tax.illinois.gov/InvestInKids/</u>

The Archdiocese preferred SGO <u>https://empowerillinois.org/</u>

Big Shoulders Fund SGO <u>https://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org/</u>

Thank you:

Thank you to everyone who donated a pair of pajamas. Because of your generosity 165 children will enjoy a new warm pair of pajamas and a new book this Christmas. You are wonderful! Thank you to Mrs. Castle for organizing this service project.

Thank you to the 114 volunteers who helped to feed starving children. We filled 404 boxes of food which will feed 239 children. Thank you to Ms. Montemurro who organized this special day. We are so fortunate to have an amazing photographer, Mr. Mike Harris. You can view pictures from this day by going to this link http://mikeharris.zenfolio.com/p45967828 (password Cardinals)

Thank you to Ms. Lamorena and our fabulous CODAs for spreading Christmas joy to the Senior Citizens at the police station for their Christmas luncheon and to the people at Millennium Station and at the Bean. You can check out some facebook live videos from these events on our St. Hilary School facebook page.

After School:

Super Soccer Stars has a special offer just for you. You can save \$30.00 when you enroll in the winter and spring sessions. Enrollment for the winter session is now open. See the flyer in today's envelope. The username is HLR and the password is sthsoccer.

Mrs. Donovan Needs Help:

Are you or someone you know looking for a few hours of time to spend with amazing children? I am in need of a part-time extended care supervisor. The schedule would include every Wednesday from 2:00 – 6:00 pm, any 11:30 dismissal days and occasional emergency sub days. The extended care program is only in session when school is in session. This is a paid position. If you are interested please contact me ASAP. Thank you, in advance, for your consideration.

Last Call!!!

Thank you to everyone who has already donated to the Annual Teachers' Christmas Fund. Friday, December 15th is the last day to turn in your donations. Please know that your contribution is greatly appreciated.

Athletics:

Basketball season is also in full stride. We encourage participation at our games to show our school spirit. The basketball schedule is available on the school website. Also located on the website are the Archdiocesan and St. Hilary Athletic Handbooks. Both handbooks clearly state that students must meet eligibility requirements to play an extracurricular sport. The following two quotes can be found in these handbooks:

"The student must perform satisfactorily in the areas of academic effort, behavior, and attitude."

"The athlete must exhibit academic progress as determined by the classroom teacher(s)."

Teachers have been asked to notify me if there are athletes who are in danger of losing their eligibility due to academic performance. Upon this notification, I will contact the parent and the child will receive a one week warning. At the conclusion of that week I will review the current status of eligibility and determine if the athlete is able to continue playing and practicing or if they need to be suspended until progress in their studies improves. As a parent you make great sacrifices to send your child to St. Hilary. Academics is a high priority for all of us. We look forward to working with you and your child so that they are able to enjoy the many activities that we offer.

Health:

The flu season is once again upon us. Please be aware that the virus that is protected by the flu shot is a different strain than the one that has been infecting many of us. It is important that you are vigilant in washing hands and getting good rest. It is our policy, as supported by many physicians that children stay home for up to 24 hours after their fever and flu symptoms have departed. We appreciate your cooperation in following this policy as the health and safety of everyone is our highest priority.

Reminders:

Each family received a pre-registration Intent to Return Form in their Wednesday envelope last week (another is in today's envelope). Please read the letter attached and return this form to school by Dec. 20th.

We are in need of a few more participants for the Christmas pageant at the 5:00 mass on Christmas Eve. This pageant is a very special St. Hilary tradition that will not be possible without our children participating. I ask that you please consider attending this mass and allowing your child to be an important part of the telling of the story of Jesus' birth.

Mark your Calendars:

All are invited to the Simbang Gabi Filipino traditional mass on Wednesday, December 20th at 5:00 p.m. This year the mass will be officiated by Cardinal Blasé Cupich. There will be a reception in the gym immediately following the mass.

The Annual Christmas Concert will be held on Thursday, December 21st at 7:00 p.m. in the church. All are welcome to join us as we welcome in the holidays. This is not your typical school Christmas concert, you don't want to miss it. Tell your family and friends and help them to feel Christmas.

Contents of this Wednesday's envelope:

- FSA flyers
- Christmas fund letter
- Christmas Eve Pageant flyer
- Christmas Concert flyer
- Ugly Sweater Day flyer
- Pre-registration form

Mark your calendars:

- Fri. Dec. 15th Christmas Fund contributions are due!
- Fri. Dec. 15th FSA Family Christmas Party
- Fri. Dec. 15th Wear your ugly Christmas sweater day!
- Tues. Dec. 19th Pajama bottom day for everyone who made a donation
- Wed. Dec. 20th St. Hilary Simbang Gabi celebration 5 pm mass all are welcome!

- Thurs. Dec. 21st St. Hilary School and Parish Christmas Concert 7:00 p.m. in the church.
- Fri. Dec. 22nd 11:30 dismissal Christmas vacation begins. School resumes on Monday, January 8, 2018.
- Sun. Dec. 24th 5:00 Christmas Eve family mass
- Mon. Dec. 25th Merry Christmas & Happy Birthday Jesus!
- Mon. Jan. 1, 2018 Happy New Year!

Emergency Closing/Cold Weather

Cold weather: Students will be kept in for indoor recess when the temperature is below 25 degrees (actually or with wind chill) or in wet rainy/snowy conditions. Please make sure your child comes prepared to go outdoors – gloves, scarf, hat or hood. This is especially true of those who are on patrol.

Emergency Closing Information

Our School Messenger system will notify you either by phone or email in the event of our school closing due to weather. In addition, emergency closing information will be announced on WBBM Radio Newsradio 780 and WGN Radio 720. The television stations to watch are CBS Channel 2 Chicago, Channel 5, ABC Channel 7 Chicago, WGN Morning News, Fox 32 and CLTV News. On-line you may access information at <u>www.EmergencyClosings.com</u>. Our website <u>www.sthilarychicago.org</u> will also have closing information. We will close if the Archdiocese is closed as a system, an extremely rare event. You should choose, based on your own judgment and situation, whether or not to keep your child(ren) home.

Please check out the Peek at the Week for a look at the week ahead.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me at school 773-561-5885 or by email <u>donovan@sthilarychicago.org</u>.

Gratefully, *Mrs. Kathie Donovan* Mrs. Kathie Donovan, Principal



A Peek at the Week

WEEK OF December 18 - 22 St. Hilary...where faith, family, and academics thrive! **MONDAY:** December 18th Altar Servers: Madison. Claire ✓ Religious education classes ✓ Yoga class ✓ Concert band 3:00 - 4:00 pm in Room 109 December 19th **TUESDAY:** Altar Servers: Marc, Nathan ✓ Student Council meeting – officers ✓ CODAs 7:10 – 7:45 am in Room 109 ✓ Battle of the Books $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$ grade 3:00 – 3:45 pm ✓ Pajama bottom day for all who donated pajamas for the Advent Service project ✓ Student Council – Hot Chocolate Bar after school WEDNESDAY: December 20th Altar Servers: Nicholas, Crystal \checkmark 8:30 all school liturgy ✓ 2:00 dismissal ✓ Super soccer $3^{rd} - 4^{th}$ grade ✓ Simbang Gabi Celebration 5:00 p.m. in church **THURSDAY: December 21st** Altar Servers: Camille, Rianne ✓ Super soccer $K - 2^{nd}$ grade ✓ Cardinal Choir 3:00 - 4:00 pm in church ✓ Concert band 7:00 – 7:45 am in Room 109 ✓ St. Hilary Christmas Concret 7:00 pm in church FRIDAY: December 22nd Altar Servers: Marina, Joy Marie \checkmark 11:30 dismissal ✓ 10:45 Advent Prayer Service in church ✓ Christmas break begins SATURDAY: December 23rd Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. Anthony O., Phuc 5:00 p.m. Sophia C., Christine L., Aelaika SUNDAY: December 24th **Christmas Eve** Altar Servers: 8 am Anthony O., Benjamin, Alessandra 10 am Jeryl, Tyler, Isabella M. 12 pm Toni, Ariam, Nora 5 pm Family Christmas Eve Mass

School resumes on Jan. 8, 2018



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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SPECIAL BROADCAST

Dear Catholic School Families,

As a recipient of a Phoenix or Caritas scholarship this year, we are reaching out to share a few updates about the new tax credit scholarship program that could cover **up to 100 percent of tuition and eligible fees for next school year.** As a reminder, our process has changed this year for scholarship applications: you should apply for a new tax credit scholarship *if you meet the income requirements shown below.* If you do not qualify for a tax credit scholarship based on your household income, we will be reaching out to you in February with information about other scholarship opportunities.

The chart below shows an example of how much a family of four (based on household income) could receive from the state through the tax credit scholarship program to cover tuition. For more information about eligibility based on household size and income limits, please see the end of this letter or visit<u>www.archchicago.org/tcs</u>.

Annual Household Income*	Eligible Scholarship Amount
Less than \$45,510	100 percent of tuition
\$45,510-\$61,500	75 percent of tuition
\$61,500-\$73,800	50 percent of tuition

*Family of four

To apply for a tax credit scholarship, you will need to apply to a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO), a separate organization that is responsible for receiving and processing scholarship applications, and distributing the scholarships to eligible students. There will likely be several SGOs in Illinois. The Archdiocese of Chicago has chosen Empower Illinois as its preferred SGO. Empower Illinois is a trusted partner with experienced employees who have managed a similar scholarship process in Florida. You are of course free to apply to any SGO or multiple SGOs, and we encourage you do so.

Below for your reference please find the information we know so far about Empower Illinois. We will continue to update you as more information becomes available regarding Empower Illinois, Big Shoulders Fund and other Illinois SGOs.

Empower Illinois

Website: empowerillinois.org

Expected Website Launch Date: Week of December 11 (*applications will NOT be available at the time of the website launch*)

Expected Date to Access and Submit Scholarship Applications: The TENTATIVE date is January 2, 2018

Scholarships will be awarded on a *first come, first serve basis*, so it is very important to apply early. As soon as we confirm the application deadlines, we will update you, and hope to provide assistance to you to ensure that you don't miss out on this opportunity.

We will secure from the SGOs a list of all of the necessary documents you will need to apply for a tax credit scholarship as soon as it is available. In the meantime, based on what we know today, we believe you will need the following documents in order to apply for a tax credit scholarship:

- 2016 tax return
- Proof of residency (i.e. driver's license or state ID)
- Birth certificate or passport for each student

The Archdiocese is organizing a number of events where families can receive in-person help applying for tax credit scholarships. If English is not your first language, there will be people available to help you apply in Spanish and Polish. We will share more information about these events with you and through our website, <u>www.archchicago.org/tcs</u>, as we finalize details. Your school principal will also share information as it becomes available.

If you have any questions, please visit our website for more information, and feel free to contact us at<u>InvestInKids@archchicago.org</u> or 312.534.5321. We look forward to sharing more about the new tax credit scholarship program in the coming weeks.

Yours in Christ, Jim Rigg, Ph.D. Superintendent of Catholic Schools Archdiocese of Chicago

Eligibility Information

See the charts below that show how much your family could receive to cover tuition based on your household income and family size.

Number of People Living in your Household	Total Household Income per Year		
2	\$16,240 - \$30,044		
3	\$20,420 - \$37,777		
4	\$24,600 - \$45,510		
5	\$28,780 - \$53,243		
6	\$32,960 - \$60,976		
7	\$37,140 - \$68,709		
8	\$41,320 - \$76,442		

Chart 1: You could receive 100 percent of tuition and eligible fees if you fit the following:

Chart 2: You could receive 75 percent of tuition and eligible fees if you fit the following:

Number of People Living in your Household	Total Household Income per Year
2	\$30,206 - \$40,600
3	\$37,981 - \$51,050
4	\$45,756 - \$61,500
5	\$53,531 - \$71,950
6	\$61,309 - \$82,400
7	\$69,080 - \$92,850
8	\$76,855 - \$103,300

Chart 3: You could receive 50 percent of tuition and eligible fees if you fit the following:

Number of People Living in your Household	Total Household Income per Year
2	\$40,762 - \$48,720
3	\$51,254 - \$61,260
4	\$61,746 - \$73,800
5	\$72,238 - \$86,340
6	\$82,730 - \$98,880
7	\$93,221 - \$111,420
8	\$103,713 - \$123,960

Note: If more than eight people live in your home, add \$4,160 to the total household income per year for each additional person.

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As principal, it has been an enormous blessing to serve your family this year and I would like to invite you to return for the 2018-19 school year. I hope that our academic and extracurricular programs are more than meeting your expectations and that you share our vision of a school where faith, family and academics thrive.

As usual, re-registration for next school year will begin during Catholic Schools Week starting on January 28th, 2018. However, because of Illinois' new Tax Credit Scholarship (TCS) program, we are doing something new this year. As we currently understand the situation, families who wish to apply for TCS tax credit scholarships will need to indicate their choice of a school when submitting a tax credit scholarship application. For that reason, we are asking you to complete this **Intent to Return Form,** which we will use to confirm your choice in school to the Scholarship Granting Organizations that will administer the tax credit scholarships.

If you plan on applying for a Tax Credit Scholarship, we need you to complete this form by December 20th and return it to the school. If you do not plan on applying for a TCS, this form will save a seat for your child for the next school year. I am hopeful that 100% of our families will complete this form and return it to school by December 20th.

Remember that we will conduct the formal re-registration process during Catholic Schools Week. At that time, you will be asked to complete the official Registration form and other required paperwork, and submit your registration fee for the 2018-2019 school year.

I look forward to serving your family in the coming school year. Please complete your <u>Intent to Return Form</u> by **Wednesday, December 20th**. As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kathie Donovan Principal



Intent to Return Form

Yes, my child/children will be returning	next year.
No, my child/children will not be return	ing next year.
Name(s) of student(s):	
Name:	Current Grade:
Name:	Current Grade:
Name:	Current Grade:
Are you interested in learning more about the Il Younger siblings who may enroll next year:	llinois Tax Credit Scholarship? Yes No
Name:	_ Current Grade/Age:
Name:	_ Current Grade/Age:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Parent Email:	

Please return this form by December 20, 2017

Family & School Association Meeting

Wednesday, Dec. 13 7 to 8 p.m. School Cafeteria

All parents/guardians who attend will be entered into a raffle for a \$50 gift card to Mariano's!

Mix and mingle with other St. Hilary parents while getting updates on the FSA's winter events and activities. We welcome your questions, ideas, energy and expertise. Refreshments will be served.

Santa is coming to St. Hilary FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 * 6 TO 9 P.M. ST. HILARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

\$8 PER CHILD / \$5 PER ADULT WITH RSVP \$10 PER CHILD / \$8 PER ADULT AT THE DOOR

RSVP by Wednesday, December 13

Pictures with Santa Pizza + Refreshments Hot Gcoa Bar Decorate cookies Make ornaments & crafts BINGO + Raffle



Please cut and return this form with your payment by **Wednesday**, **Dec. 13**, to let us know that you are coming. This will help us make it a great evening. Make checks payable to ST. HILARY FSA. Thank you!

Yes! My family is planning to attend the Christmas Party on Dec. 15.

Family name: ____

children (x \$8) + _____ adults (x \$5) will be there. A total of \$_____ is enclosed.



Calling all volunteers! SERVICE HOURS AVAILABLE

The Family & School Association is hosting the annual Family Christmas Party on **Friday, December 15.** Volunteers are needed to help with the festivities.

Parents: If you have or know a Confirmation candidate or high school student who is looking for service hours, their help would be most welcome!

HOW TO VOLUNTEER

Sign up online at http://signup.com/go/hMADKRK

Contact Maria Hench by Dec. 13 at mariahench@gmail.com or 773-620-0642 (call/text)

Set up	3 to 6 p.m.	Decorate the cafeteria; set up food and drinks; prepare activity areas		
Greeters	6 to 8 p.m.	Greet and check in families, collect admission if necessary		
Servers	6 to 9 p.m. (1.5-hour shifts)	Serve food and beverages		
Craft tables	6 to 9 p.m. (1.5-hour shifts)	Staff craft tables and help children and families with the activities		
Cookie decorating	6 to 9 p.m. (1-hour shifts)	Pass out cookies and assist children and families with decorating		
Raffle	6 to 8 p.m.	Sell raffle tickets and run drawing		
BINGO	8 to 9 p.m.	Run the BINGO games		
Kitchen Help	8 to 9 p.m.	Wash any dishes, trays, etc. Keep kitchen tidy		
Clean up	9 to 10 p.m.	Clean up after the party; take out trash		

AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITIES



CHRISTMAS FUND REMINDER

Dear St. Hilary Parent and Guardian,

If you have already made your donation to the Teachers Christmas Fund, **THANK YOU!** If not, please consider making a donation. Again, there is no limit as to the amount you can give. Any donation would be appreciated. We also encourage you to have your child(ren) write notes to his/her teachers, telling them that you donated to the Christmas Fund. It's a terrific way to show your support to our wonderful faculty and staff here at St. Hilary School.

Again, the very warmest Christmas wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely, Mrs. Donovan and the St. Hilary Christmas Fund Committee

ST. HILARY CHRISTMAS FUND

Enclosed is our donation of \$ ______ for the faculty and staff of St. Hilary School.

You may enclose cash, money order, or a personal check payable to St. Hilary School. Please return to the School Office, no later than Friday, December 15th.



UGLY SWEATER DAY!!



Its Christmas time! What's one of the best things about Christmas besides the birth of Jesus and time with family? The ugly Christmas

sweaters of course! We will be having an ugly
sweater day next Friday, December 15!! This is
your chance to shine! Wear the ugliest
Christmas sweater you can find! If you choose
to participate you may wear jeans or
uniform pants with your sweater. If
not, you will need to come in uniform!
So...keep your eyes open for the ugliest
Christmas sweater you can find!



Bring Us Light St. Hilary Christmas Concert

When: Thursday, December 21st 7:00pm Students must arrive at 6:30pm

Where: St. Hilary Church

Who: ALL St. Hilary students are performing! Friends, relatives, prospective families, and all are invited!

Dress: Nice, Semi-Formal clothes. Dresses, dress shirts, slacks, ties, blouses, skirts, suits, etc.

Dress shoes and Christmas colors are encouraged. All school dress code rules apply. Please no jeans, holiday hats, or ugly sweaters!

THIS EVENT IS MANDATORY.

If your child cannot attend send a note or an email to Ms. Lamorena at <u>lamorena@sthilarychicago.org</u> by Friday 12/15/17. Your child will complete an alternate assignment.

Make sure you RSVP to our Facebook event! Spread the word and use our hashtag to spread the excitement! #SHBringUsLight

Children's Christmas Eve Nativity Pantomime

This Christmas Eve we will do a pantomime of the Christmas Story at the **5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass. We** invite all the children of the parish and their guests (i.e. cousins or grandchildren who are visiting) to join in this festive celebration.

If your child wants to be part of the pantomime we ask you to sign the slip below and indicate whether they will be a *shepherd, angel, or lamb. If your child wants to "dress for the part" costumes need not be elaborate* – a



white dress, sweater, or shirt and a halo made of gold or silver garland will do fine for an angel (wings are optional). Shepherds need only come in a bathrobe - a towel fixed on their head with string or a sports band does great for the headgear and staffs or shepherds crooks are allowed but not required. Lambs can dress in white or black. A couple of ears made out of construction paper and cotton balls will be plenty. We do have a few costumes available.

Dressing up is half the fun yet even if your child decides at the last minute to be part of the pantomime or unexpected guests arrive just bring them along.

We will cast the roles of Mary and Joseph and provide those costumes. If your child would like to be Mary or Joseph please indicate below. Once we have all the names of those children we will draw names from a hat to cast the leading roles. If your child's name is not chosen for these roles we hope they will join us in one of the other roles.

We will need a few adults that evening to help us direct the children where to go. If you can help out please indicate that on the sign-up slip.

We hope this will restore some of the festivity to the celebration, make it memorable for our youngest parishioners (pre-school on up) and not add to the stress of an already hectic season.

Christmas Eve Play sign-up (Due back by Wednesday, DECEMBER 6)

Name	Age	Name_			Age
Name	Age	Name_			Age
My child/ren would like to be a	_shepherd	angel	lamb	Mary	Joseph
I can help direct the children	during the Pa	intomime	Name		
Email			Ph	one	

St. Hilory's 2017 Hot Chocolate Bar

Hosted by Student Council Tuesday, December 19 after school in the parking lot \$1 per cup 25¢ per topping



Through the "Invest in Kids Act," Illinois children from low-income families who choose to attend private schools will have access to new scholarships. The scholarships of-fered through this program could cover up to 100 percent of tuition and eligible fees for next school year.

The Illinois Invest in Kids website is now live. You may view the Invest in Kids website at: <u>http://tax.illinois.gov/InvestInKids/</u>

Information for families

Families need to complete an application through an SGO (Scholarship Granting Organization). The Archdiocese is working with 2 SGOs: <u>Empower Illinois</u> and <u>Big Shoulders</u>. Links to their websites are https://empowerillinois.org and www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org. Please check these websites for the applications. We are being told that the applications will be open on Jan. 2, 2018.

Documents that, we believe, families need to have fin order to apply for a tax credit scholarship are:

- 1. Birth certificate or passport for student
- 2. 2016 tax return
- 3. Proof of residency (i.e. driver's license or state ID)

Information for donors

Important: You must have a registered MyTax Illinois account for filing either individual income tax or business income tax in order to apply for approval to make a contribution. If you want to apply, you are encouraged to create a <u>MyTax Illinois</u> account as soon as possible to avoid any processing delays when the application system goes live.

Once your application has been submitted, and the Department confirms that credits are available, the Department will issue you a Contribution Authorization Certificate (CAC). The CAC will be issued electronically to your MyTax Illinois account within three business days of approval of your application.

Example: A taxpayer files an online application indicating he intends to contribute \$1,000 to Children Benefit from Education Scholarship Organization for the benefit of Region 4. As long as the regional or the total statewide maximums have not been reached, the taxpayer will receive a Contribution Authorization Certificate (CAC) from the Department authorizing his \$1,000 contribution to the SGO, which equates to a \$750 tax credit.

You must make your contribution to the Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) within 60 days after issuance of the CAC. You must provide a copy of the CAC to the SGO. Within 30 days of receiving your contribution, the SGO will issue you a Certificate of Receipt (COR) through your MyTax Illinois account.

Note: An individual taxpayer making a contribution to an SGO may specify which school within the taxpayer's approved region he or she wishes his or her contribution to benefit.

Please don't forget to turn in your intent to return form so that a seat will be saved for your child for the 2018-2019 school year!

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