

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

January 24, 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> This is an important week when we celebrate the unique opportunities of choosing Catholic education for your child. Sunday will be filled with ways to celebrate our faith, family, and academics.

- > We will celebrate our faith with a 10:00 Family Mass.
- We will celebrate our families with a Pancake breakfast hosted by the Family School Association.
- We will celebrate our academics with an Open House from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Activities will be held in each of our classrooms.
- > Registration kicks off for the 2018-2019 school year.
  - Two families will be chosen to receive free registration when you register on this day. A raffle will be held and the two winners will be chosen at the end of the day.
  - o Each child who registers on Sunday will receive a special gift

Remember to assure a seat for your child next year and register early. Take advantage of the Registration Raffle on Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> for a chance to win free registration fees. Families who register on Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> will receive a 50% discount on the registration fees. If you know any families who are looking for a quality, caring Catholic school for their child invite them to all of our activities on Sun. Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> and please share their contact information with me so that I am able to extend the invitation as well. Thank you for your assistance in growing St. Hilary School.

Your registration packet for the 2018-2019 school year is in today's envelope. These forms are being sent home early so that you are able to fill them out and speed up the registration process for you on Sun. Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>.

Parent-teacher-student conferences are scheduled for Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. A conference request form is included in today's envelope. These conferences are <u>not</u> mandatory for every child. They are based on teacher and/or parent requests. Confirmation of scheduled times was sent home on Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have

any questions on this process please do not hesitate to contact me either by email or phone.

Mrs. Kathy Ernst has been an important part of St. Hilary School for many years. She was a student, parent, volunteer, and administrative assistant. She will always be an alum. Her last day with us will be Friday, Jan. 26th. I thank her for her dedication to St. Hilary. I hope that you will join me in wishing her all the best as she explores a new journey. She will always be a Cardinal!

If you or someone you know would be interested in a part-time office position, please contact Mrs. Donovan for more information.

# \*\*IMPORTANT CALENDAR CHANGE\*\*

School will be in session on Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup> and there will be NO school on Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. The faculty and I have been given an opportunity for a wonderful professional development day through Catapult Learning Services that we cannot pass up. I apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your understanding.

The FSA Daddy/daughter dance will take place as scheduled on Fri. Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>. See the flyer in today's envelope. You don't want to miss this special time!!!

# Invest in Kids Act Update:

This is such an important opportunity for many of our families. Please have your 2016 tax return, proof of residence, and your child's birth certificate (for K and 1<sup>st</sup> grade students only) ready to be uploaded to the application. You must complete the entire application with the uploads at one time, you may not save and return. Remember these scholarships will go quickly – first come, first serve. All applications will be time stamped at the time of submission. You may be asked for a code for your local public school, anyone who resides in Chicago would be in the Chicago Public School district, and their code number is #299.

Keep an eye on the following websites for current up-to-date information:

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

Empower Illinois SGO- application opens Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> <u>\*\*new date\*\*</u> at 12 pm <u>https://empowerillinois.org/</u>

The Big Shoulders SGO received 11,000 applications within 24 hours and has suspended their application site until further notice. There are a few documents with more information in today's envelope.

# **Reminders:**

Please support the FSA and enjoy dinner at Panera tomorrow, January 25<sup>th</sup>. See the flyer in today's envelope. You do need to bring the flyer with you.

Due to Parent-Teacher Conferences on Friday, we will dismiss at 11:30 am. Extended care is available, any child staying will need to bring a lunch from home, no hot lunch will be served.

# Mark your calendars:

Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> test your trivia skills when the Alumni Association hosts our Annual Quiz Night. This is a fun "adults-only" event where you can test your wits with other families, friends, and even the teachers. Gather 10 people and sign up today – see the flyer in today's envelope. It would be so much fun if you gathered 10 parents from your child's class to see how well you can match up with the teacher's table. This is a wonderful event for you to socialize with the other parents in your child's class.

# Service hours available:

The Family & School Association will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast to kick off Catholic Schools Week on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. <u>This is an excellent opportunity to earn your family service hours and enjoy a delicious breakfast.</u> See the flyer in today's envelope.

# **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.

# Contents of this Wednesday's envelope:

- Tax Credit Scholarships Important information
- Calendar change
- Men's Club flyers
- Family & School Association flyers
- Student Council forms
- Alumni Quiz Night flyer

## Mark your calendars:

- Thurs. Jan. 25 FSA hosts St. Hilary Night at Panera
- Thurs. Jan. 25 progress reports go home
- Fri. Jan. 26 11:30 dismissal
- Fri. Jan. 26 <u>Requested</u> Parent Teacher Student Conferences
- Sun. Jan 28 Kick-off Catholic Schools Week
- Mon. Jan. 29 Celebrating our faculty/staff
- Tues. Jan. 30 Celebrating Vocations and service
- Wed. Jan. 31 Celebrating Community
- Thurs. Feb. 1 Celebrating Nations
- Fri. Feb. 2 Celebrating our students
- Sat. Feb. 3 8<sup>th</sup> graders Confirmation retreat
- Tues. Feb. 6  $8^{th}$  grade graduation picture retakes

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

WE	EK OF January 29 – February 2
	Catholic Schools Week – Learn*Serve*Lead*Succeed
	NDAY: January 29 <sup>th</sup> Celebrating Teachers/Staff
	Servers: Madison, Anthony Religious education classes
	NO Yoga class
	Concert band 3:00 – 4:00 pm in Room 109
	SDAY: January 30 <sup>th</sup> Celebrating Vocations & Service
	SDA1: January 50 Celebrating vocations & Service Servers: Jeryl, Joy Marie
	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
	School assembly – service/volunteer organizations in afternoon
	<b>DNESDAY:</b> January 31 <sup>st</sup> Celebrating Community
	Servers: Toni, Christine L.
	8:30 all school liturgy
	Women's Club members visit to read books to $PreK - 3^{rd}$ grades
	2:00 dismissal
THU	<b>RSDAY:</b> February 1 <sup>st</sup> Celebrating Nations
	Servers: Gia, Billy T.
	Cardinal Choir 3:00 – 4:00 pm in church
$\checkmark$	Concert band 7:00 – 7:45 am in Room 109
FRID	DAY: February 2 <sup>nd</sup> Celebrating Students
	Servers: Gail, Sara M.
	Class movies in morning, treats courtesy of FSA
	Relaxed Dress Code – theme: Comfy Day
	Faith Partner Scavenger Hunt
	Faith Partner snack and Bingo in afternoon
	URDAY: February 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Altar	Servers: 8:30 a.m. Nora, Lina, Adhrian
	5:00 p.m. Aelaika, Sophia C., Marc
SUNI	DAY: February 4 <sup>th</sup>
Altar	Servers: 8 am Anthony O., Thao, Benjamin
	10 am Isabella A., Sophie F., Tyler
	12 pm Isabella M., Abigail, Rianne
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	<ul> <li>Registration Sunday – registration raffl</li> <li>Family Mass = 10:00 a p</li> </ul>
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 Open House 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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January 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to St. Hilary and Catholic education. It is our privilege to educate and provide a safe and caring environment for your child to grow in their faith and academics. We are fully aware of the significant sacrifice that parents make to provide their child with a Catholic education at St. Hilary School. Next week St. Hilary will join the nation in celebrating Catholic Education during Catholic Schools Week.

With this letter you will find a re-registration form for you to fill out and bring to Registration Sunday on Jan. 28th. Completing and returning both sides of this form along with the registration fee reserves a place for your child(ren) for the 2018-2019 school year. This registration also allows us to plan appropriately for the number of students we can expect next year. We will begin re-registration on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> during our Open House. All students who complete the registration that day will receive a special gift.

The Archdiocese of Chicago has approved a minimal pay raise for the teachers, since about 75% of our budget is salaries and health benefits it was necessary for us to implement a small tuition increase. The tuition rates for the upcoming school year were, once again, determined after careful analysis of our budget. Salary and health insurance increases are included in the new budget, our teachers continue to make sacrifices to work in a Catholic school and their dedication is appreciated and is not compensated for in large salaries. A beginning teacher in the Archdiocese starts at approximately \$30,000.00, compared to the starting salary at CPS of \$50,653.00. We felt it was very important that we look at this data along with our current financial situation to determine the rates for next year. The Archdiocese continues to ask the church and school to become financially independent.

The tuition schedule that accompanies this letter indicates a 3% tuition increase. Fr. Aloy and I are hoping to prevent this increase and actually freeze your tuition at the 2017-2018 rates. This will depend on the success of the February "Raise the Roof" dinner dance. A letter explaining this event went home with your child last week and is included in this week's envelope. Please consider supporting this event and reaping the benefits of it's success.

As we continue to move St. Hilary forward for the benefit of our children we will be aggressively pursuing outside resources and donors to assist in tuition assistance. Renewing our relationship with the Big Shoulders Fund has allowed us to provide additional scholarships for our families this year. We are committed to ensuring that we have maximized the effectiveness of your tuition dollars and eliminate unnecessary expenses. We are so fortunate to have the new Invest In Kids Act in place. It is our hope that this will assist families with the financial strain of tuition as they continue to place Catholic education as a priority for their children.

We ask that you are proactive in registering your child for next year. The registration fee is \$200.00, families who register before March 10, 2018 will receive a 50% reduction and the fee is \$100.00. Thank you to everyone who completed the intent to return form.

We will continue to utilize the FACTS Tuition Management System for both tuition collection and financial aid scholarships. All families who are looking for financial assistance are required to complete the FACTS application. A link to FACTS is located on the main page of our website <u>www.sthilarychicago.org</u>.

We all know that we have an incredible school and parish community. We are asking for your assistance to refer a friend to St. Hilary. As a thank you, you will receive a \$100.00 tuition credit on your December tuition statement pending enrollment of the referred family. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

We look forward to a wonderful school year working together as a community of faith filled families.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kathleen Donovan Principal Fr. Aloysius Funtila Pastor



# 2018-2019 Re-Registration Form

(Please read and complete both sides of this form)

Parent/Guardian Name(s)		
Address		
City		
Non-refundable Registration fee: \$100.00 un This registration form and fee will hold a spa		after March 10 <sup>th</sup> .
My child(ren) will return to St. Hilary School attached.	ol for the 2018-2019 sch	ool year. The registration fee is
Child's name		2018-2019 Grade
<ul> <li>I have another child that I would like to sul Child's Name</li> </ul>	bmit an application for Birth date	Applying for Grade
<ul> <li>My child(ren) will not be returning to St. H</li> <li>Child's Name</li> </ul>		school year rent Grade
Reason for leaving:		
Office Use Only: Check # Recv'd by:		h e

# TUITION AGREEMENT MUST BE SIGNED TO COMPLETE REGISTRATION

I, the undersigned, understand that I am liable for the financial obligation of attending St. Hilary School and that my obligation must be paid in full by June 15, 2019 for the 2018-19 school year. I understand that non-compliance of this agreement may result in my child/ren being excluded from St. Hilary School during the current school year or re-enrollment not being granted.

I agree to make tuition payments for the CURRENT school year according to the options indicated below. The family must establish an account at FACTS online after which time St. Hilary School will complete the process by establishing the financial obligation owed by the family. FACTS can be accessed through the school website (<u>www.sthilarychicago.org</u>) and clicking on the FACTS icon.

## I choose the following tuition payment options:

	full payment due by September 1, 2018 (no FA	CTS fee)
	2 payments due Sept. 1, 2018 and Jan. 1, 2019	(\$10.00 one time FACTS fee)
	12 monthly payments beginning in June 2018 a	nd ending in May 2019 (\$30.00 one time FACTS fee)
(Signature)		

(Signature)

All families seeking financial assistance <u>must</u> complete a FACTS Financial Aid application. The application process must be completed each year regardless of your financial aid status during the current school year. This application is available through our school website (<u>www.sthilarychicago.org</u>) and click on the FACTS icon on the right. Financial aid requests will not be considered without this completed application.

### ST. HILARY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL <u>2018-2019 SCHEDULE OF TUITION & FEES</u> Tuition and fees for the 2018-19 school year are subject to change.

### KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8<sup>TH</sup> TUITION

#### PARISHIONER:

#### **NON-PARISHIONER:**

One child	\$ 6,448.00	One child	\$ 7,540.00
Two children	\$ 11,485.00	Two children	\$13,308.00
Three children	\$ 16,295.00	Three children	\$18,561.00

#### PRE-SCHOOL TUITION

#### PARISHIONER

#### NON-PARISHIONER

Full days	5 @ week	\$	6.448.00	Full days	5 @week	\$ 7,540.00
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### SCHOOL FEES AND OTHER FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Registration - per family/non-refundable \$200.00 (\$100.00 for returning families if registration completed by March 10, 2018)

Education Fee	- per child/non-refundable			
Parish Raffle	-tickets distributed in May, raffle in June			
School Walkathon Minimum Pledge				
15 hours of service OR payment of				
FACTS Tuition Enrollment Fee (one-time annual fee)				

\$300.00 \$100.00 \$200.00 \$ 30.00 for each hour not served \$30.00 for monthly payment option/ \$10.00 for 2 payment option/FREE for full payment option

## FEES APPLIED TO MONTHLY TUITION for Preschool, Kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Celebration - per child Preschool &	& Kindergarten	\$ 10.00 Fee
Communion/Reconciliation - per child 2 <sup>n</sup>	d Grade	\$ 50.00 Fee (\$20 non sacramental)
Confirmation – per child	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$ 100.00 Fee (\$60 non sacramental)
Graduation - per child	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$ 120.00 Fee
Graduation Dance – per child	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$ 60.00 Fee
Snake Road Retreat – per child	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$ 60.00 Fee
Class Trip – per child	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$ 75.00 Fee

#### **OTHER FEES THAT MAY APPLY:**

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Hot lunch – daily	\$ 3.25
Before School Care – per day/per child	\$ 4.00
After School Care based on pick up times	
First Wednesday only pick up by 2:45 pm	\$ 3.00
All other days pick up by 4:00 PM	\$ 5.00
pick up by 5:00 PM	\$ 10.00
pick up by 6:00 PM	\$ 15.00
Half days – based on hourly pick up times	\$ 4.00 @ hour
LATE FEE incurred every 15 minutes	\$ 5.00

• Financial responsibilities/obligations not met by end of school year may have an adverse effect on year end ceremonies, final report card distribution, grade promotions and/or release of records.

- Tuition payments start in June and end in May unless other arrangements have been made \_\*NEW
- Monthly payments are based on 12 months. \*\* Any family with an only child in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade makes 11 payments with the last payment being in April.
- If yearly tuition is paid in full on or before September 1, a 3% discount is applied.



# St. Hilary Celebrates Catholic Schools Week

Learn\*Serve\*Lead\*Succeed January 28 -February 2, 2018

Sunday 01.28.18 Celebrating Parish and Family Registration Sunday	<ul> <li>★ Family Mass at 10:00. At the conclusion of Mass students will hand out thank you cards</li> <li>★ FSA Pancake Breakfast 9:00 - noon</li> <li>★ Open House in classrooms from 11:00-1:00</li> <li>★ Free Family Photo Booth in the gym</li> <li>★ Registration begins for the 2018-2019 school year</li> </ul>
Monday 01.29.18 Celebrating Our Amazing Teachers	<ul> <li>★ Dress down day for faculty/staff</li> <li>★ Student Council surprise for the faculty/staff</li> <li>★ Student Council will provide breakfast</li> <li>★ Lunch provided for faculty/staff</li> </ul>
Tuesday 01.30.18 Celebrating Vocations and Service	<ul> <li>★ Appreciation for Fr. Aloy and Fr. Tom</li> <li>★ Representatives from various organizations (Catholic Charities, Heartland Soup Kitchen, and the Honeycomb Project) will speak to the students about volunteering and giving service to others</li> </ul>
Wednesday 01.31.18 Celebrating Community	<ul> <li>★ 8:30 all school mass with possible guest clergy</li> <li>★ Each student will create a Valentine for patients at Swedish Covenant Hospital</li> <li>★ Woman's Club reads to Pre-K-3rd grade</li> </ul>
Thursday 02.01.18 Celebrating Nations	★ Students will create thank you scrolls to be sent to elected officials (local, state, and federal)
Friday 02.02.18 Celebrating Our Spectacular Students	<ul> <li>★ Be comfortable - dress down day</li> <li>★ Faith Partner Scavenger Hunt</li> <li>★ Faith Partner Bingo and snacks in afternoon</li> <li>★ Class movie/popcorn/treat in the morning. Treats provided by FSA</li> </ul>



Many Gifts, One Nation A Day of Giving to Catholic Schools

January 30 - 31, 2018 Public Donation Page Link: St. Hilary Grade School <u>https://sthilarychicago.giving.factsmgt.com</u>

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# St. Hilary School

5614 N. Fairfield Ave. 773-561-5885 www.sthilarychicago.org

# Join us to learn about our caring community where faith, family and academics thrive.

Sunday, January 28, 2018 10:00 am Family Mass 9:00 am to Noon Pancake Breakfast 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Open House

You are welcome to join us!!

- 3–4 yr. old Preschool—8th grade
- Archdiocesan and Common Core Based Curriculum
- After school activities: soccer, golf, yoga, book club
- Computer, art, music, PE, Spanish—Preschool—8th
- ACT Aspire test results above the National Average
   At/above Archdiocese of Chicago average
  - Stock Market Program
  - Before and after school program
  - Hot lunch prepared fresh daily on site
- Weekly all school mass and Faith Partner program
- Full Fine Arts Program: band, choir, music lessons, ukulele club, and Art Studio
- Baby Redbirds—playgroup for 6 mo.—3 yr.olds
  - Financial assistance for those who qualify
- After school Mandarin Chinese classes offered





# Free Family Photos during Open House on Sun.Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>



The photo booth will be set up in the gym (Vacala Auditorium) from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Please stop by to take a picture of your family. A link will be shared with you.

**REGISTRATION RAFFLE** All families who register on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> for the 2018-2019 school year will be entered into a raffle for a \$100.00 discount on their registration fee. The registration fee must be paid on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. Two lucky families will receive the \$100.00 discount. Drawing will be held at 1:30 p.m. after the Open House.

# **GOOD LUCK TO EVERYONE!**

We look forward to sharing another wonderful school year

with you and your family.  $\frown_{\circ \circ}$ 



**HELP SUPPORT** 

# ST. HILARY SCHOOL

WHERE 6059 North Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, IL 60659

WHEN Thu, Jan, 25th

FROM 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Bring this flyer or show an electronic version to the cashier when you place your order and we'll donate a portion of the proceeds from your purchase.<sup>\*</sup>

Ordering Online for Rapid Pick-Up or Delivery?\*

Enter **"FUND"** as your Promo Code to have a portion of your proceeds donated to your organization.

Learn more at PaneraBread.com/fundraiser

<sup>\*</sup>Gift card purchases and catering orders are excluded and will not count toward the event. Rapid Pick-Up and Delivery only where available.

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# Men's Club Candlelight Bowling



# Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.

# Immaculate Conception Parish Hall 7211 W. Talcott - Chicago

\$50.00 / couple (21 and over) Includes bowling, dinner and drinks

Limited shoes available; bring your own soft-soled shoes if possible

> RSVP/Contact Daryl McNabb 773-633-0980 damcnabb@sbcglobal.net





# St. Hilary Men's Club

# Lenten Fish Fry



# Friday, February 16th<sup>th</sup>

St. Hilary School Cafeteria

6:00 - 8:00 pm

# Fried fish, mac and cheese, French fries, cole slaw and dessert Cash Bar

Adults: \$10

Children ages 4-12: \$7

Under 4: Free

# St. Hilary's 2018 **SNOWMAN DECORATING CONTEST** Hosted by Student Council January 17 - 24, 2018

Student Council is hosting a **snowman decorating contest**! The theme is **most creative**! The most creative snowman from each grade will **win a secret prize**! To enter, use the template attached to this flyer

and any materials you have at home

to decorate it as creatively as you can! Please do not go out and buy

materials to make your snowman!

Print your name on the back.

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# Saturday, February 10, 2018

St. Hilary School Vacala Auditorium 5615 North California Avenue Chicago, Illinois

WIN MONEY\*\*TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE\*\*HAVE FUN

Doors open at 6:30 PM Trivia questions begin promptly at 7:00 PM

\$20 PER PERSON or \$200 PER TABLE (Tables of 10) Register with a table or join a team that night Bring in your own food and drink Alcohol permitted 21 + age event

All money raised goes to St. Hilary School!

10 Categories 10 Questions per Category Winning Table \$500 Best Theme Table \$100

A Community Event Hosted by St. Hilary Alumni Association Registration form on the back of this flyer

CONTACT PERSON FOR TEAM:
NAME
ADDRESS
CITY/STATE/ZIP
PHONE
TEAM MEMBERS IF KNOWN:
NAMES
I AM COMING AS A SINGLE PERSON, PLEASE ADD ME TO A TEAM
NAME
ADDRESS
CITY/STATE/ZIP
PHONE
AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$

PLEASE MAKE CHECK/S PAYABLE TO ST. HILARY SCHOOL

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week and support our fantastic school!

# 8 am to noon, Sunday, January 28 St. Hilary School Cafeteria

Pancake Breakfast

All-you-can-eat hot breakfast prepared by the St. Hilary Family & School Association

\$8 for adults ; \$5 for children 3-13 Free for children under 2

# Service Hours Available

To volunteer, reserve your spot on our SignUp page http://signup.com/go/vckaRtV or contact Maria Hench at mariahench@gmail.com or 773-620-0642

Follow us on Facebook: @StHilaryFSA



# \$20 PER COUPLE; \$5 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL GIRL

INCLUDES:

Pizza, Wings, Desserts & Beverages Crafts and Activities Great Music & Dancing Photobooth/Selfie Station

## FATHERS, GRANDFATHERS, GODFATHERS AND UNCLES ARE WELCOME

RSVP by February 7 to help us plan



# DANCE RSVP/VOLUNTEER FORM

PLEASE RETURN BY WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7

# We are attending the Daddy-Daughter Dance on Feb. 9

Famil	v name:		
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Names of guests: \_\_\_\_\_



Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

(\$20/couple; \$5/additional girl. Make checks payable to ST. HILARY FSA)

# I can volunteer for the Daddy-Daughter Dance

Reserve your spot online at <u>http://signup.com/go/TxeuBxQ</u> or let us know your availability

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone or email:

I can (please check all that apply)

- \_\_\_\_\_ set up (3-5:30 p.m.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ help during the party (6-9 p.m.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ clean up (9-10 p.m.)

If you are fulfilling volunteer hours, please bring your service hours card to get credit





# What You Need to Know About the **"Invest in Kids"** Tax Credit Scholarships

Through the "Invest in Kids Act," Illinois children from low-income households who want to attend private schools will have access to new scholarships. The scholarships offered through this program could cover up to 100 percent of tuition and eligible fees for next school year.\* Below is more information about how to apply and details on eligibility requirements.

### TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Students from low-income households in grades K-12 have the opportunity to receive tax credit scholarships for the 2018/19 school year. These scholarships are funded by donors who receive a credit on their Illinois state income tax as a result of their donation.

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

You need to apply for tax credit scholarships through a nonprofit organization that will distribute scholarships, instead of the Archdiocese or a school directly. The Archdiocese of Chicago is working with **Empower Illinois** who will accept applications and grant tax credit scholarships.

Empower Illinois' application opens January 31, 2018 at 12 p.m. (noon) and can be completed online at **empowerillinois.org**.

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO APPLY

Families need the following documents in order to apply for a tax credit scholarship:

#### Household Income Verification, specifically:

- Form 1040 (Federal Tax Return; 2016 or 2017), pages one and two only
- If you do NOT file taxes, provide other evidence of income (e.g. W-2, recent pay stubs, Form 1099, official letter from employer, disability statement, or documentation of SNAP or WIC)

Proof of Residence (one of the following):

- Illinois Driver's License with current address
- Illinois State ID with current address
- Utility bill with name and current address

#### Evidence of Child's Age for Kindergarten and 1st Grade

- students only (one of the following):
- Birth certificate
- Passport
- Valid Email Address (e.g. Gmail, Hotmail, AOL, etc.)

Additionally, families should know the number of the Public School District in which the household resides. Example, school district #299 for the Chicago Public School System.

#### **HELP APPLYING**

Families can apply for tax credit scholarships online through empowerillinois.org beginning Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at 12 p.m. (noon). Scholarships will be awarded on a first come, first served basis, so it's important that you apply as soon as applications are accepted by Empower Illinois. For questions about the application process, please visit empowerillinois.org. If you need help applying, the Archdiocese is hosting tax credit scholarship application support events on January 31, February 1 and February 3. Help will be available in English and Spanish. For event details, please visit **archchicago.org/tcs**.

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Scholarships will be awarded on a first come, first served basis, so it is very important that when the application process begins, you apply early.

### **HOW TO QUALIFY**

Your family could receive a scholarship that covers up to 100 percent of tuition and eligible fees for next school year.

Eligibility to receive a scholarship is based on your family's household income. For example, a student could receive a scholarship if his/her family income is less than \$73,800 a year for a family of four. See chart below for more information on eligibility for tax credit scholarships.

#### SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

### Persons in

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Household	Full Scholarship	75% Scholarship	50% Scholarship
1	\$22,311	\$30,150	\$36,180
2	\$30,044	\$40,600	\$48,720
3	\$37,777	\$51,050	\$61,260
4	\$45,510	\$61,500	\$73,800
5	\$53,243	\$71,950	\$86,340
6	\$60,976	\$82,400	\$98,880
7	\$68,709	\$92,850	\$111,420
8*	\$76,442	\$103,300	\$123,960

\*If more than eight people in your household, for each additional person, add \$4,180 to the baseline FPL number for a family of 8 (\$41,320) and then multiply by 1.85, 2.5 and 3 to arrive at the corresponding income limits.

Above income based on Adjusted Gross Income ("AGI") as reported on family's tax return. Use combined household income if coapplicants. It is NOT W-2 income or what is on your pay stub. **You may find AGI on your tax return as follows:** 

- Form 1040 Line 37
- Form 1040 A Line 21
- Form 1040 EZ Line 4

To learn more, please visit **archchicago.org/tcs** or contact the Archdiocese at **investinkids@archchicago.org** or **312.534.5321**.



The Archdiocese of Chicago wants to help you learn more about the new tax credit scholarship program and get a jump start on the application process at an education event near you. Help will be available in English and Spanish.

Tax credit scholarships will be distributed by Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGOs), not the Archdiocese directly. These scholarships will be awarded on a first come, first served basis, so it is very important that when the application process begins, you apply early!

**Where:** Carmel Catholic High School, One Carmel Parkway, Mundelein **Date:** Wednesday, January 24 **Time:** 6 – 8 p.m.

Where: St. Joseph High School, 10900 W. Cermak Road, Westchester Date: Wednesday, January 24 Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Where: St. Laurence High School, 5556 W. 77th Street, Burbank Date: Wednesday, January 24 Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Where: Notre Dame College Prep, 7655 Dempster Street, Niles Date: Thursday, January 25 Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

**Where:** Marian Catholic High School, 700 Ashland Avenue, Chicago Heights **Date:** Thursday, January 25 **Time:** 6 – 8 p.m.

At the education events we will have scanners and thumb drives available for you to scan in the documents you need to apply for a tax credit scholarship and save for future use when applying. Please see the other side of this page for materials you should bring to the education event for scanning.















You will need to include copies of the following materials when it is time to apply for a tax credit scholarship, so please bring these documents with you to the education events to make sure you have the right materials, and so you can scan copies for future use. We will have scanners and thumb drives available at the events for your use.

### • Household Income Verification, specifically:

- Form 1040 (Federal Tax Return; 2016 or 2017), pages 1 & 2 only
- If you do NOT file taxes, provide other evidence of income (e.g. W-2, recent pay stubs, Form 1099, official letter from employer, disability statement, or documentation of SNAP or WIC)
- **Proof of Residence** (one of the following):
  - Illinois Driver's License with current address
  - Illinois State ID with current address
  - Utility bill with name and current address
- Evidence of Child's Age for Kindergarten and 1st Grade students only (one of the following):
  - Birth certificate
  - Passport
- Valid Email Address (e.g. Gmail, Hotmail, AOC)
- Additionally, families should know the number of the Public School District in which the household resides. Example, school district #299 for Chicago Public School System.

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The Archdiocese of Chicago is hosting Empower Illinois tax credit scholarship application support events in Cook and Lake Counties beginning Wednesday, January 31, 2018. Help will be available in English and Spanish, as space is available.

Families need to apply for tax credit scholarships through a nonprofit organization that will distribute scholarships, instead of the Archdiocese or a school directly. The Archdiocese of Chicago is working with Empower Illinois who will accept applications and grant tax credit scholarships. **These scholarships will be awarded on a first come, first served basis, so it is very important that when the application process begins, you apply early!** 

**Note: Application events are optional, and families should feel free to apply for scholarships on their own.** If you need additional support applying or scanning your documents, please attend one of the events below. Beginning January 31 at 12 p.m. (noon) you may apply to Empower Illinois at **empowerillinois.org/students/**.

Date:	Location	Address
Wednesday, January 31, 2018	Carmel Catholic High School	One Carmel Parkway, Mundelein
	Cristo Rey Jesuit High School	1852 W. 22nd Place, Chicago
Time:	DePaul College Prep	3633 N. California Avenue, Chicago
Noon – 8 p.m.	Marian Catholic High School	700 Ashland Avenue, Chicago Heights
	Notre Dame College Prep	7655 Dempster Street, Niles
	St. Joseph High School	10900 W. Cermak Road, Westchester
	St. Laurence High School	5556 W. 77th Street, Burbank
	Cardinal Meyer Pastoral Center	3525 S. Lake Park Avenue, Chicago

Date:	Location	Address
Thursday, February 1, 2018	Carmel Catholic High School	One Carmel Parkway, Mundelein
	Cristo Rey Jesuit High School	1852 W. 22nd Place, Chicago
Time:	DePaul College Prep	3633 N. California Avenue, Chicago
3 – 8 p.m.	Marian Catholic High School	700 Ashland Avenue, Chicago Heights
	Notre Dame College Prep	7655 Dempster Street, Niles
	St. Joseph High School	10900 W. Cermak Road, Westchester
	St. Laurence High School	5556 W. 77th Street, Burbank
	Leo Catholic High School	7901 S. Sangamon Street, Chicago

Date:	Location	Address
Saturday, February 3, 2018	Carmel Catholic High School	One Carmel Parkway, Mundelein
	Cristo Rey Jesuit High School	1852 W. 22nd Place, Chicago
Time:	DePaul College Prep	3633 N. California Avenue, Chicago
9 a.m. – Noon	Marian Catholic High School	700 Ashland Avenue, Chicago Heights
	Notre Dame College Prep	7655 Dempster Street, Niles
	St. Joseph High School	10900 W. Cermak Road, Westchester
	St. Laurence High School	5556 W. 77th Street, Burbank
	Leo Catholic High School	7901 S. Sangamon Street, Chicago









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Do cool exciting science experiments and activities!!

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When: Saturday Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> from 10am-3pm

COST- \$10

If you are interested please contact Mr. Andre at andre@sthilarychicago.org