



February 4, 2020

Welcome to St. John School and our 2020/2021 registration.

### **TUITION PHILOSOPHY**

*Fair Share is a tuition program that allows St. John School to be one of the most accessible schools for Catholic families in Seattle. The Fair Share philosophy applies to all families at St. John School. Parish families determine the maximum amount they can honestly afford to pay toward the cost to educate their children. Out-of-Parish families are asked to pay the budgeted cost of educating their children.*

### **Enrollment / Re-Enrollment**

Returning families will find pledge forms and information on Fair Share, and a suggested prayer that families can use to discern their Fair Share. All other forms and instructions are on the website (<https://st-johnschool.org/registration/>) for online enrollment/re-enrollment through PowerSchool Registration, Smart Tuition Management Services, and Extended Day Care. Returning families must complete these tasks by Wednesday, February 19. **Families new to St. John School** and **siblings of returning students new to St. John School** will receive instructions for enrollment with written acceptance of application in early-mid March.

### **K-8 Tuition for In-Parish Families**

School families who are participating members of the parish prayerfully discern what they can truly afford to pay for their children's education. Before arriving at your Facilitation appointment, please read the enclosed Fair Share brochure, pray and discern your fair share. Keeping in mind the cost to educate, the 2020/2021 school operating budget anticipates pledges that correspond to our St. John In-Parish Tuition:

- \$8,426.90 for one student
- \$14,325.72 for two students
- \$19,339.73 for three or more students

### **K-8 Tuition for Out-of-Parish Families**

Families **who are not active and participating members of St. John Parish** pay the cost to educate: **\$11,235.86** per student.

### **Annual Fund**

Any amount over the In-Parish Suggested Tuition or the Out-of-Parish Tuition is considered a donation to the School Annual Fund. The school will issue a statement indicating your donation at the end of the calendar year. We recommend you consult your tax advisor regarding your Annual Fund donation.

### **Preschool Tuition – Contract available online – download, print, and return – link:**

Families applying for **preschool students only** may pick up applications in the school office beginning February 4 and return them to the school office by February 10, 2020. If you are enrolling a student in **preschool as well as students in K-8**, please bring the preschool tuition contract to your Facilitation appointment. Note: **Preschool is not eligible for Fair Share**, is a separate tuition contract and may not be included with K-8 tuition pledge calculations.

- \$5,860.85 for 5 days per week (\$532.80 per month for 11 months)
- \$3,683.75 3 days per week (\$334.89 per month for 11 months)

### **Fees**

Enrollment fees are collected at Facilitation:

- \$350.00 per new family
- \$350.00 per returning family
  - Returning school families **attending both** the State of the School Night and a Facilitation appointment will receive \$50.00 off the registration fee.
- \$250.00 per "preschool only" family – no students registering in grades K-8

Other fees billed in July through Smart Tuition Management Services:

- \$50.00 per family Smart Tuition annual enrollment fee
- \$10.00 per student Disaster Preparedness fee
- \$10.00 per student Class Auction Project fee

#### Tuition Payments

- **Returning Families** –Tuition is paid through Smart Tuition Management Services. Families may schedule one, two, four or eleven payments, the first payment due July 2020, final due May 2021.
- **Families New to St. John School** – Upon written acceptance in March, the first installment is due April 2020 and is non refundable. You will receive a billing statement included with your letter of acceptance payable to St. John School directly. Subsequent payments are due July 2020 through May 2021 and are payable through Smart Tuition Management Services as outlined above.

#### Included in this packet:

- Fair Share Stewardship Information
- Prayer For My Fair Share Discernment
- Tuition Pledge forms for K-8 and for PK

Families new to St. John School, and siblings of returning students new to St. John School will receive instruction upon formal acceptance.

Current policy states, "To register...tuition must be current within 30 days." If not, arrangements must be made through the principal in accordance with school collection policy. **Registration will not be processed if tuition does not meet this qualification.** For assistance, contact Diane Crockett, 206-783-0337.

#### Facilitation Days

K-8 tuition contracts are accepted through scheduled facilitation appointments. No mail in contracts will be accepted. Facilitation dates are:

- Sunday, February 9, noon-4pm
- Monday, February 10, 5pm-9pm

Enrollment and re-enrollment requirements not completed or received after 9pm February 10, for new and returning families, will be considered late and processed after March 1 as space permits. **"Preschool only" registrations (no K-8 siblings) do not require a facilitation session and may be delivered to the school office beginning February 4 and not later than February 10.**

#### Acceptance

If your students are returning to St. John School for grades one through eight, online updating on **PowerSchool** and on **Smart Tuition Management Services** is complete, you have paid the enrollment fee, been signed off by the facilitator, and your current year tuition is current within 30 days you may consider your students registered for the coming year. If there are any problems or reasons for non-acceptance, you will be notified immediately. Formal written notification of acceptance of **students new to St. John School** or **students enrolling in Preschool or Kindergarten** will be forthcoming in March. **Current enrollment in Preschool is not a guarantee of placement in Kindergarten.**

We are delighted to welcome you as part of our school community. Do not hesitate to call with questions about our registration process. We are here to help.

Sincerely,



Bernadette O'Leary  
Principal