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Dear Saint Scholastica School Families,

Saint Scholastica School is grateful for the blessings we receive from our community. We are blessed with a faculty and staff who answer the call to serve in the mission of Catholic education. In partnership with parents, we help students grow in faith, knowledge, and service. One of our favorite things to do is celebrate all the good things which have come to us each year.

This year, we updated our religion series. We stayed with "Blest Are We" and updated to the newest curriculum. New materials provide the opportunity to bring new faith activities and experiences to our students. Teachers also joined the Formed online program. Formed provides videos, meditations, and other resources to enrich the student faith experience. We also added Eureka math to the advanced paced fifth grade math curriculum. Eureka math engages students in deep conceptual understanding. Students become more fluent in mathematics as they think, strategize, and problem-solve.

Our primary teachers received many new materials this year. Kindergarten and first grade have new standing magnetic boards and new magnets to teach math and phonics. We also received fraction circles, bear counters, geosolids, money, pattern blocks, and timers to enhance hands on learning in math. These materials came to us through title funds.

The "Wall of Wishes" provided additional materials for our students. Flexible seating cushions, stools, science kits, project boxes, a white board, and a Promethean board are in classrooms for students. Online programs iXL and Brain Pop Jr. engage learners using online tools. Teachers are using "Teachers Pay Teachers" , an online teacher resource, to bring new ideas and new materials into the classrooms.

This fall, we engage our parishioners to help support our laptop initiative. New laptops were purchased for homeroom teachers in the fall. We recently received an additional donation and will be adding a few more new laptops for other teachers. Updating technology is an important part of student learning. From storage and RAM to upload and download speeds, the old laptops hindered learning as teachers had difficulty engaging students in online resources.

None of this would be possible without a community that supports Catholic education. Father Norbert is a loving and caring pastor. His faith filled support is such a blessing. Our faculty and staff do more with less than their public school counterparts. Their dedication to their students makes an impact that can last a lifetime. Saint Scholastica is truly a community that prays, works, and plays together.

The Saint Scholastica School is supported by a wonderful community. Parish support is important in order to keep our school growing and thriving. The parish commitment to Catholic education is seen in their support, both spiritual and financial, each year.

Our school is also supported through the generosity of volunteers. If you looked over the course of a year, the number of volunteers that pass through our doors to help Saint Scholastica School in our work and play is huge.

From field trips to luncheons to holiday celebrations, and everything in between, students, families, faculty, and staff benefit from volunteerism.

Saint Scholastica School is supported through student tuition. The cost to educate each student at Saint Scholastica exceeds \$5,500. In contrast, Saint Scholastica families spend far less and tuition was set at \$4,338 for the 2019 - 2020 school year. To bridge the difference, the parish generously provides a subsidy. A commitment to weekly parish contribution is necessary to maintain parishioner registration. An active parishioner gives of themselves in time, talent, and treasure. This keeps tuition as affordable as possible for families who desire Catholic education.


Fundraising is a blessing to our school. The Auction, our largest fundraising event, provides substantial support for our total financial need each year. Wheel of Meat and Walk a Thon are wonderful opportunities for fundraising as well. Each event helps control costs to families and gives faculty and students all we can in materials every day. The past three years have seen our Parent Organization revived to great success. From dine out nights to the mother/son day and daddy/daughter dance, our events bring people together to build community. This year, events including the "Boogie Bash" and "Pizza Wars" have brought new opportunities for families to enjoy time together in our Saint Scholastica community.

In planning for the 2020 - 2021 school year and beyond, we will be opening current family registration on February 3rd, 2020. Registration will open for new families at that time as well. For the 2020 - 2021 school year, there are few changes. There will be a standard increase in tuition for all grades. Tuition for multi-child families will continue to be gradually discounted for each additional child. Student fees will stay the same.

2020-21 Tuition and Fees				
	One Student	Two Students	Three Students	Four Students
Tuition-Parishioner	\$4,511	\$7,759	\$10,150	\$12,264
Tuition-Non-Parishioner	\$6,756	\$10,810	\$14,188	
Registration (non-refundable)	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Book Fee	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Technology Fee	\$150	\$300	\$450	\$600
Fundraising Fee	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
Sacrament Fee (2nd Grade one-time fee)	\$50	\$100	\$150	\$200
Sacrament Fee (8th Grade one-time fee)	\$50	\$100	\$150	\$200
Graduation Fee (8th Grade one-time fee)	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400

I thank you for choosing Catholic school for your family. Saint Scholastica School is blessed to count you among our families. As the faculty and staff continue to answer the call to serve in the mission of Catholic education, please know that we are blessed to be part of the Saint Scholastica community. As we go forward, may we continue to be richly blessed as we grow in faith.

Peace,


 Reverend Norbert Raszeja, CR
 Pastor


 Miss Elizabeth Driscoll
 Principal