



HOLY CROSS
SAINT BERNADETTE
SAINT THOMAS MORE
SAINTS PETER & PAUL
OUR LADY OF LOURDES
DUAL LANGUAGE ACADEMY

*A Collaboration of Parishes, Schools, Parents and
Community Partners*

January 2024

Dear parents and guardians,

Thank you for selecting a Consortium school for the opportunity to provide a Catholic education for your child(ren). It is a privilege to partner with you in this important ministry.

Since stepping into the role of executive director in November, I have visited each of the six schools and have been welcomed with open arms and smiling faces at each of them.

I'm reminded of a quote from the influential book *Catholic Schools and the Common Good*, which says, "There's a feeling [in a Catholic school] that is hard to miss if you spend any time here...a tremendous rapport between students and faculty. The faculty is extremely concerned about the kids, not only academically."

You surely have felt this, too. Many of you have describe it as "family."

Each year, it is our goal that you have an excellent experience, filled with many opportunities to encounter Christ.

We also make every effort to ensure tuition remains manageable. Be assured that with your investment in tuition for your child(ren), we will continue our tradition of fiscal discipline, maximizing every dollar.

Enrollment opens for current families on February 5, and new families can begin enrolling on February 12, 2024. Enclosed, please find information about the 2024-2025 tuition rates, as well as information about tuition assistance opportunities.

You can expect to hear from your school principal with more details on the process, and you are welcome to reach out to your principal or to the Consortium office with any related questions.

We are proud of who we are and confident of where we are going, in large part because you are a part of our journey, of our Consortium family. Thank you and may God bless you.

Sincerely,

Shannan Brommer
Executive Director



2024-2025 Tuition Rates, Tuition Assistance and Payment Plan Information

Collected tuition and fees account for 51% of the total operating budget for the Consortium's six schools. The remaining amount is funded through our development efforts and through the generosity of Sunday collections at our 16 supporting parishes across South Omaha. We appreciate the many ways in which you already do and continue to support the Consortium schools and parishes!

Thank you to the parishioners and pastors from our supporting parishes:

- Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Our Lady of Guadalupe
- **Holy Cross**
- Holy Ghost
- Immaculate Conception
- Our Lady of Fatima
- **Our Lady of Lourdes** – St Adalbert
- St. Andrew Kim Taegon
- **St. Bernadette**
- St. Bridget – St. Rose
- St. Francis of Assissi
- St. Mary
- St. Mary Magdalene
- St. Peter
- St. Stanislaus
- **St. Thomas More**
- **Sts. Peter and Paul**

Bold indicates parish with a Consortium school

2024-2025 Tuition Rates

As our six schools continue their important work, operating needs and cost of living increases require us to slightly increase tuition and fees for the 2024-2025 school year. The K-8 rate for 2024-2025 will be \$4,245. The rate for Consortium parishioners will be \$3,745. Discounts for multiple siblings will continue.

The new tuition structure, including pre-school and pre-K tuition, is outlined below. Your investment in Catholic school tuition helps us maintain and improve the Consortium school experience for students now and in the future.

Please read the following pages, where you will find more detailed information about tuition rates and tuition assistance at your school.

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Dual Language Academy 2024-2025 Tuition Rates

Preschool and Pre-K Tiered Tuition Rates

	Tier III < \$30K Taxable Income	Tier II \$30K - \$115K Taxable Income	Tier I > \$115K Taxable Income
Registration Fee*	\$150	\$150	\$150
Annual Tuition and fees	\$4,150	\$5,150	\$7,150
Monthly Rate for 10 Months	\$415	\$515	\$715

Kindergarten – 6th Grade Tuition Rates

# of Students	Registration Fee (<i>per student</i>)*	Tuition Total**	Monthly Rate for 10 Months
1	\$150	\$4,745	\$475
2	\$150	\$9,340	\$934
3	\$150	\$13,230	\$1,323
4	\$150	\$16,460	\$1,646

*Registration fee of \$150 per child is due at the time of registration. Each family pays this fee for at least one student per family at the time of registration to reserve space for all of your family. All other fees, including registration fees for additional students are included in the tuition total above. Tuition from the prior school year must be paid to attend the upcoming school year.

**Pay- in-full discount of \$150 per family is offered for preschool-6th grade tuition and must be paid by August 1, 2024.

Note:

- If your child is in preschool or pre-kindergarten, and you would like to apply for tuition in a lower tier, please contact the DLA office at 402-393-2314 for an Application for Tier reduction.
- Preschool and PreK tuition may be tax deductible. Consult your tax advisor.
- DLA Tuition is higher than other Consortium Schools due to the costs associated with hiring bilingual staff.

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Tuition Assistance Opportunities

Ensuring our Catholic schools remain accessible and affordable for families in the southeast Omaha area is our top priority. The entire Consortium team is keenly aware of the financial challenges facing families, and we are happy to discuss the opportunities for financial aid for the upcoming school year. We want to make this transformational experience available to families no matter their financial situation. No family is turned away from our schools due to an inability to pay full tuition.

Each school year, the Omaha Catholic School Consortium provides more than \$1.2 million in tuition assistance to families in the form of tuition discounts and need-based aid. Between 40-50% of the student body benefit from tuition assistance.

Tuition Assistance is provided to current and incoming students through these Funds:

- **The Children’s Scholarship Fund (CSF) of Omaha** is an independent organization that provides income-based scholarships for children in grades K-8. Applications are available February-May annually.
- **OCSC Tuition Assistance and Latino Catholic Scholarship Fund (LCSF).** These programs are funded by generous supporters of the Consortium and our schools. These funds are used to aid Latino families who do not receive CSF or who need additional aid. To receive LCSF families must apply; application window is from February 12th, 2024 to May 5th, 2024. If you have questions or to apply, please call (402) 590-2810.

New This Year

- **Opportunity Scholarships of Nebraska:** *Is your child entering kindergarten or transferring from a Nebraska public school they attended for at least one semester?* If so, you are eligible to apply for Opportunity Scholarship Nebraska to receive tuition assistance. This is a separate application, and more information can be found at Opportunity Scholarships of Nebraska (nebraskaopportunity.org).

Note:

- **IMPORTANT DEADLINE:** To receive tuition assistance, families must apply via the Children’s Scholarship Fund application process. Applications open February 5, 2024, and the deadline is May 5, 2024.
- **New families must apply to BOTH Children’s Scholarship Fund and Opportunities Scholarship Nebraska.**
- **Information about Payment Plans can be found on the next page.**

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Tuition Payment Plans†

Payment Plan	# of Payments	Beginning Month	Payment Days
1 Full Payment††	1	June 2024	5 th , 20 th , or last
2 Semi Annual Payments	2	June 2024 / December 2024	5 th or 20 th
Quarterly Payments	4	August 2024 / Nov. 2024 February 2025 / May 2025	5 th or 20 th
Monthly Payments June-May	12	June 2024	5 th or 20 th
Monthly Payments August-May*	10	August 2024	5 th or 20 th
Bi-monthly (2 payments per month) June-May	24	June 2024	15 th & last
Bi-monthly (2 payments per month) August-May	20	August 2024	15 th & last

† The above table reflects standard tuition payment plans offered by the Consortium; in the case that you need to adjust your payment plan or payment date, please contact the Consortium Business Office at (402) 590-2810.

†† Pay-in-full tuition discount must be paid prior to August 1st, 2024.

FACTS Tuition Payment Processing System

All Consortium schools use the FACTS Payment Processing System to collect payments for tuition and fees.

To Access:

- Current Families access tuition accounts online by logging into the FACTS SIS family portal at <https://www.factsmgmt.com>. Click “Facts Family Login” > “Facts Family Portal” > Log in with district code [ocsc-ne], username and password and once logged in click on “Financial.” New families can view tuition charges after they have completed the registration process through the same Family Portal. If you have questions or concerns, please call your school or Consortium Business Office (402) 590-2810.

Field Code Changed

Note:

- Any tuition assistance will be applied directly to your FACTS account after the tuition assistance has been awarded.
- All families who receive tuition assistance from CSF or OCSC are required to set up an autopay account inside FACTS, or to make special arrangements with the Consortium office. Failure to complete this step may result in assistance being withdrawn.

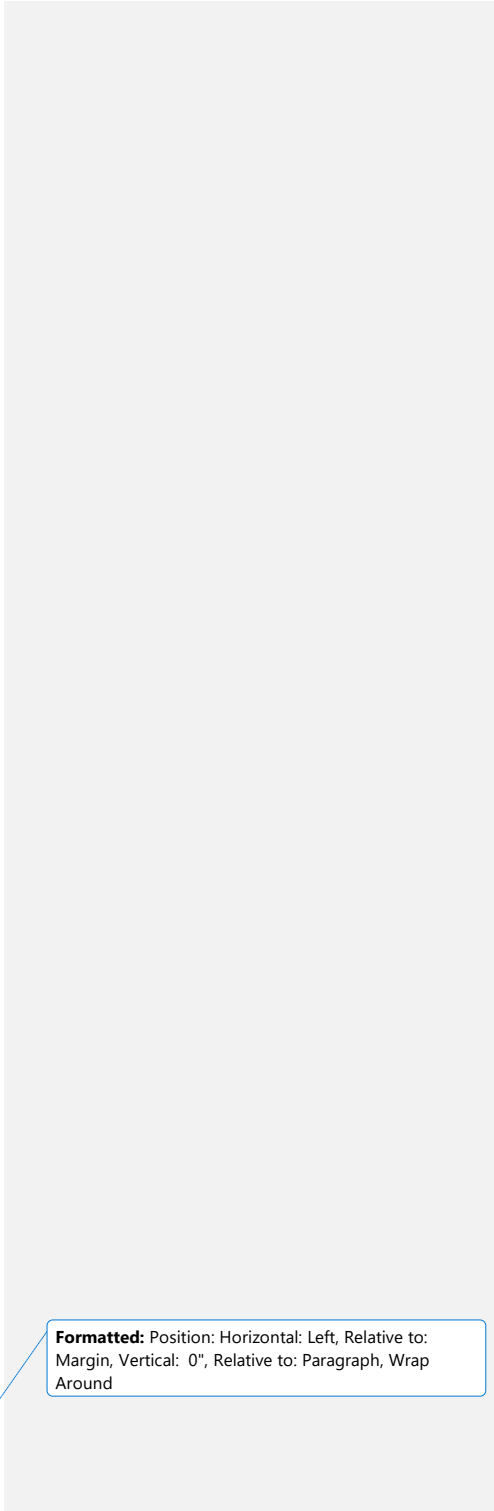
Tuition Questions

Please contact the Consortium office at 402-590-2810. Se habla español en la oficina del Consorcio.

Holy Cross	402-551-3773	Sts. Peter and Paul	402-731-4713
Our Lady of Lourdes	402-341-5604	St. Thomas More	402-551-9504
St. Bernadette	402-731-3033	Dual Language Academy	402-991-3400

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Note: The full cost to educate a student at a Consortium school is over \$6,000. Parents who have the financial resources available can help us close the gap between the cost to educate and the listed tuition rate.



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