

March 6, 2017

Dear Parents,

The 2017-2018 school year, the “Year of Possibility”, is quickly coming to a close. The St. Patrick School community has come together in so many ways this year – from beautiful liturgical celebrations to the joys of the Talent Show - we have had much to celebrate! The hard work of our students in the classroom and on the athletic courts, the dedication of our faculty and staff in the planning of each day, and of course the countless hours given by parents, all clearly show that we are a strong community committed to the mission of providing the best education for the students at St. Patrick School.

The days ahead, filled with activities galore intertwine with preparation for next year which is just around the corner. Time sure does fly! Your registration is an important step in this preparation. I hope that you share my excitement for the 2017-2018 school year. We will continue to offer electives to the junior high school students at St. Patrick, continue to enhance our newly formed STEM class which is in its second year at St. Pat’s, continue to explore extra-curricular after school offerings, and work toward enhancing technology and the campus facility. The faculty, staff, and school board also remain committed to providing a sound moral, spiritual, and academic program for the students of St. Patrick.

Registration for the 2017-2018 school year begins today, March 6th. This registration period from March 6th to March 17th is exclusive to current St. Patrick School families. St. Patrick School tries its best to keep tuition affordable while maintaining its solid academic programs and investigating new additions to the school. For the 2017-2018 school year, tuition will increase slightly to \$5125.00 for a single child. This is a 3% increase from last year. Multiple child discounts are still factored in for families with more than one child at St. Patrick. We understand that this may pose a burden on families, so the school has increased its financial assistance to \$48,000.00. We will also use a portion of Annual Fund proceeds toward helping families. All information on this program is included in the registration materials online. If you have trouble with the links, please contact the office for assistance. This process, as always, is confidential.

The school registration fee of \$300.00, SCRIP requirements, and service hour (total of 35 hours) requirements remain the same. We have also included an Annual Fund donation designation on ACH forms this year. This would allow you to include your donation in with the tuition payment you choose.

The actual cost of educating a child at St. Patrick School for next year will be over \$6000. The SCRIP, BBQ/Auction, and Thrift Store are responsible for making up the difference in the actual cost of education at St. Patrick. Each of you is a vital component of our school community and I look forward to working together so that all families have an opportunity to be a part of our school!

Sincerely,

Maureen Halderman