February 6, 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Thank you for choosing a Catholic education and for entrusting us with your child's spiritual growth and academic excellence. We are honored to partner with you on this journey of faith and learning, and we deeply appreciate the sacrifices your family makes to prioritize a Christ-centered education. As we form the next generation of Catholic disciples of Christ, we are grateful for the unwavering support of our faculty, staff, donors, and parishioners, who make this possible.

As we prepare for the 2026-2027 school year, we are excited to continue the Family School Agreement. The agreement focuses on two pillars:

- Active Participation: Families are encouraged to engage in parish and school life through required service hours to establish a sense of belonging and empowerment.
- The Eucharist: Mass attendance remains the cornerstone of our faith. **Families are expected to attend Mass <u>every</u> Sunday and Holy Days.** We will continue to use the 51% cutoff at our participating parishes by tracking it with mass cards. We also ask you to commit to participating in your registered parish as much as possible, as direct involvement and engagement with your parish are vital to our vibrant Catholic community. Eighth-grade families should still participate, as many QND scholarships take Mass attendance into account

If your family is not currently registered at a parish, we warmly invite you to join one of our four faith communities (Blessed Sacrament, St. Anthony, St Francis, or St. Peter) and encourage you to contact your parish priest.

After review by the four pastors, the QCS Provisional Advisory Board, myself, and the finance councils, tuition for 2026-2027 will increase by 9%. This adjustment ensures we can provide deserved salary and benefit increases for our dedicated staff, who are essential to maintaining the quality of our schools. The resource fee will also increase by $50.

It's important to note that this increase does not cover additional operating expenses, such as utilities, service contracts, and supplies. These costs will be generously subsidized by our parishes through parishioner support. We also recognize that any increase may be challenging. If your family needs support, we encourage you to explore the tuition assistance opportunities outlined in the attached document.

Thank you for your support, involvement, and prayers. May God bless your family and our community in the year ahead.

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QUINCY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

2026-2027 Tuition & Fees Schedule

Kindergarten - 8th Grade

Tuition

Families **registered** and **actively participating** in one of the four Quincy Catholic Parishes that sponsor a school (Blessed Sacrament, St. Anthony, St. Francis, or St. Peter):

	Cost to Educate	Parish Subsidy	**Cost to Family**
One Child	$7,569	$3,547	**$4,022**
Two Children	$15,138	$9,252	**$5,886**
Three or more Children	$22,707 (or more)	$16,200 (or more)	**$6,507**

Catholic families **not actively participating** in their parish or **not registered** in one of the four Quincy Catholic Parishes listed above OR families of another faith:

	Cost to Educate	Parish Subsidy	**Cost to Family**
One Child	$7,569	$1,836	**$5,733**
Two Children	$15,138	$5,502	**$9,636**
Three or more Children	$22,707 (or more)	$11,763 (or more)	**$10,944**

Resource Fee:

New Families — $315 per student (Early Bird Discount)
$465 per student (if paid after May 6, 2026)

Returning Families — $300 per student (Early Bird Discount)
$450 per student (if paid after May 6, 2026)

In order to guarantee a space for your child(ren) - based on enrollment capacity - at any one of the four Catholic elementary schools, the **non-refundable** Resource Fee must be paid by May 6, 2026. Please note current QCES families who still owe tuition and/or fees for the current school year must pay their past due amount by Friday, May 22, 2026, in order to enroll their child(ren).

2026-2027 Tuition Assistance Opportunities

Kindergarten - 8th Grade

Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation

The QCES Foundation provides about $130,000 in tuition assistance to families each school year. Awards for assistance are based on financial need. Applications, including required supporting documents such as W-2s and tax returns, must be submitted online through the FACTS Grant & Aid Program. While funding is not guaranteed, families who fall within 200% of Federal Poverty Guidelines are encouraged to apply.

The QCES Foundation also facilitates multiple scholarships. To be considered for a scholarship, families must complete the scholarship form AND the FACTS Grant & Aid application.

- Fr. Augustus Tolton Scholarship - Full-tuition scholarship (K-8) awarded to one Catholic family at each of the four Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools.
- Newcomer's Scholarship - Partially need based, full-tuition scholarship (K-8), Catholic or non-Catholic, whose family does not currently have any children enrolled at QCS.
- St. Thomas Aquinas Scholarship - Full-tuition and fees scholarship (K-8) awarded to two families who do not currently have any children enrolled at QCS. The scholarship is intended for students of color, non-Catholic students, students below poverty level, or students with disabilities.

Household Size	200% FPL
1	$31,920
2	$43,280
3	$54,640
4	$66,000
5	$77,360
6	$88,720
7	$100,080
8	$111,440
9	$122,800
10	$134,160

All scholarship applications must be submitted to director@quincycatholicschools.org. FACTS applications and scholarship applications must be completed and submitted by April 10, 2026. **Tuition assistance and scholarship applications for returning families will not be accepted past this date without approval from the foundation director.** More information and links to the applications are available at www.quincycatholicschools.org/tuitionassistance.

Gene Grawe Fund

Participation in the Gene Grawe Fund can offset tuition by the purchase of gift cards offered through many retailers. These businesses donate a percentage of the profits which is then distributed to the tuition accounts of the families participating. Every year, during Spring school registration, all students and their parents are extended the opportunity to participate in the Gene Grawe Fund. To learn more, visit www.genegrawefund.org or stop by the office located in the lobby at St. Peter Church, 2600 Maine Street.

2026-2027 Important Dates

February 6, 2026	Online Application/Enrollment Begins FACTS Application Opens Scholarship Applications Open Newcomer's Scholarship St. Thomas Aquinas Scholarship Fr. Augustus Tolton Scholarship
April 10, 2026	FACTS application due. Required documentation must be submitted (W-2 forms, tax returns, 1040, etc.) Scholarship Applications Due ***Tuition assistance and scholarship applications will not be accepted for returning families past this date without approval from the Foundation director.**
May 6, 2026	Non-refundable Resource Fee Due (to receive Early Bird Discount)
May 22, 2026	Outstanding balance(s) from the current school year must be paid in full to school (tuition, fees, lunch, etc.)
June 30, 2026	Tuition must be paid in full, or a payment plan must be established with the school through the FACTS Tuition-Management Program.

2026-2027 Tuition & Fees Schedule

St. Dominic Pre-School

4-Year-Old Program

- **Half-Day, Three Days/Week** (Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 8:15-11:15 am)
  - Resource Fee - $300 includes daily snack fee
  - Tuition - $180/mo for 10 months or $1800/year
- **Half-Day, Five Days/Week** (Monday-Friday, 8:15-11:15 am)
  - Resource Fee - $300 includes daily snack fee
  - Tuition - $220/mo for 10 months or $2200/year
- **Full-Day Option Three Days/Week** (Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 8:15 am – 3:00 pm)
  - Resource Fee - $300 includes daily snack fee
  - Tuition - $280/mo for 10 months or $2800/year
- **Full-Day Option Five Days/Week** (Monday-Friday, 8:15 am – 3:00 pm)
  - Resource Fee - $300 includes daily snack fee
  - Tuition - $350/mo for 10 months or $3500/year

3-Year-Old Program

- **Half-Day, Two Days/Week** (Thursday and Friday, 8:15-11:15 am)
  - Resource Fee - $300 includes daily snack fee
  - Tuition - $140/mo for 10 months or $1400/year
- **Half-Day, Five Days/Week** (Monday-Friday, 8:15-11:15 am)
  This option is only available if there is space in the blended classroom
  - Resource Fee - $300 includes daily snack fee
  - Tuition - $220/mo for 10 months or $2200/year
- **Full-Day Option Two Days/Week** (Thursday and Friday, 8:15 am – 3:00 pm)
  - Resource Fee - $300 includes daily snack fee
  - Tuition - $220/mo for 10 months or $2200/year
- **Full-Day Option Five Days/Week** (Monday-Friday, 8:15 am – 3:00 pm)
  This option is only available if there is space in the blended classroom
  - Resource Fee - $300 includes daily snack fee
  - Tuition - $350/mo for 10 months or $3500/year

FACTS Tuition Payment Options

- $25 for 1-2 tuition payments
- $55 for 10 tuition payments