

## Tuition for School Year 2025-2026

### Notes for 2025-26

- **All K-8 students are eligible for an Education Freedom Account (EFA) from the state of Arkansas in the amount of, at least, \$6,800 per student.**
- Families should subtract \$6,800 from the K-8 amounts below to determine out-of-pocket cost per student.
- Students who qualify for the Succeed Scholarship will receive at least \$7,600 instead of \$6,800. These students may subtract \$7,600 from the K-8 amounts below to determine out-of-pocket costs.
- The registration window for EFA is in March. Families should register as soon as possible to ensure participation.
- All families will still create FACTS financial accounts for incidental billing.
- Pre-K is not eligible for EFA funds. Pre-K tuition will be collected via FACTS.
- Non-Catholic families will have a tuition balance remaining after EFA funds are applied. This balance will be paid through FACTS.
- Catholic families will have a credit on their EFA accounts. This credit can be used for other educational needs approved by the state.

#### Catholic Families

	Annual
K-8 students	\$6,509

#### Non-Catholic Families

	Annual
K-8 students	\$9,029

#### Pre-K (Catholic & Non-Catholic)

Pre-K (5 day)	\$10,680
Pre-K (3 day)	\$6,408
Pre-K (2 day)	\$4,272

### Our goal is to simplify our tuition structure in light of EFA:

- 1<sup>st</sup> child rates and Pre-K rates will not increase for 2025-26.
- We will no longer have a separate Kindergarten rate. The Kindergarten rate has been lowered to match the 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade rate.
- Because of EFA funding, we will no longer offer multi-child discounts.
- We will no longer charge a technology fee or the building improvement fee for new families.

### Additional Information:

- **At the time of registration, all families are required to submit a \$200 non-refundable registration fee. While this fee is technically an eligible EFA expense, due to the difficulties of collecting this fee in a separate fiscal year, St. Joseph will not submit this fee to EFA for reimbursement.**
- Drafts will occur on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. Families with a tuition balance will choose a payment option during the online enrollment process. Requests to change a draft must be made at least 3 business days before the draft.
- All families paying the Catholic tuition rate must be registered with a parish and show regular Sunday Mass attendance. Families who are registered at a parish other than St. Joseph must complete a parish affidavit to receive the Catholic tuition rate. Families moving to the area must provide an affidavit from their previous parish. A blank parish affidavit can be downloaded during online registration.
- Tuition amounts listed above do not include lunch, aftercare, or our summer program.
- Pre-K students may choose 5 days per week, Monday/Wednesday/Friday only, or Tuesday/Thursday only. Part-time Pre-K students may add drop-in days if space allows for set daily rate.
- Families who withdraw after July 1 will be required to pay a \$250 withdrawal fee or the portion of tuition equal to the number of days attended, whichever is higher.