

Catholic Education: Schools and Parishes

The biggest portion of the campaign



The importance of Catholic education in passing on our faith cannot be overestimated. We need your help.

The people of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati agree: our Catholic schools and parish religious education programs are highly valued, as they help pass on the Catholic faith to our children.

We now are the sixth largest Catholic school system in the country, based on the number of students. However, enrollment has diminished over many years and some schools have closed. Tuition cost is rising. Families who wish to send their children to a Catholic school sometimes have to forget their dream.

How do we, as people of God, keep strong, sustainable education in schools and parishes? Substantial direction can be found in the Lighting the Way study, based on two years of consultation and collaboration with thousands of parents, pastors, educators, and school supporters. The directions given in this comprehensive report released in 2012 became the foundation for the educational part of the One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign.

One Faith, One Hope, One Love



We are a people determined to strengthen and secure Catholic education now and in the future.

**\$65
Million**



\$50 Million for Tuition Assistance

We're making Catholic schools more accessible!
Tuition assistance will be given in these stages:

- **FOR THE FUTURE:** \$40 million will be **endowed**. The earnings that result will provide perpetual tuition assistance for grants for families who need tuition assistance.
- **RIGHT AWAY!** \$10 million will be **expendable tuition assistance beginning as soon as possible**. \$2 million a year for five years will be given in grants for families who need tuition assistance right now.

Needs-based grants will be for students in Kindergarten through Grade 12 in Catholic schools in our archdiocese.

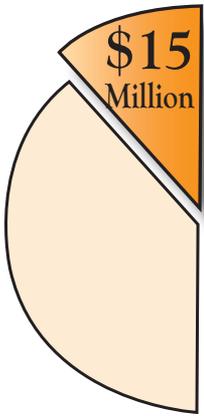
- Approximately 80% for students in K-8
- Approximately 20% for high school students.

Grants will help the families of our archdiocese who need help the most:

- Will be awarded annually based only upon the assessed financial need of the family.
- Initially, will not exceed the amount of \$1,000 per student.
- K-8 Grade grants are not for any family who is qualified to receive full tuition support from state-funded programs.
- 9-12 Grade grants can be used along with state-funded programs.



\$65 Million of the *One Faith, One Hope, One Love* campaign will support Catholic education in our archdiocese.



\$15 Million for Education Initiatives

This funding will provide perpetual funding for programs that foster Catholic identity, leadership, and academic quality in schools and parishes. Below are examples:

- **The New Principals' Academy, The Catechetical Leader's Boot Camp, and The St. Gregory the Great Institute** help our educational leaders.
- **A Comprehensive Review: Evangelization and Parish Religious Education Programs** takes an in-depth look at religious education programs and evangelization efforts in parishes, to begin in the next 2-3 years.
- **Data Analysis and Accountability** to collect schools performance data and train principals and teachers to utilize this data.
- **Early Childhood Education** support continues the success of our preschool programs. Dozens of new preschool programs have been established in the last few years!
- **Technology Training and Support** for school personnel to ensure the most up-to-date teaching tools.

Our Legacy continues . . .



- over 44,000 students in more than 100 schools
- almost 28,000 students in parish religious education programs
- Our schools are a primary source for religious vocations.
- Our students contribute thousands of service hours.
- Our test scores continually outperform national and state averages.
- Our families report exceedingly high rates of satisfaction.
- Our graduates matriculate to top colleges and universities.

We must act.

**We must pull together
with a renewed confidence.**

**Let us be remembered as the
people who significantly
strengthened Catholic Education
in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.**



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