

Frequently Asked Questions

Is tuition refundable if I have paid my tuition in full and decide to transfer my child in mid-year?

If you have registered your child and paid tuition in full and leave before the end of the first trimester, you will receive a 50% refund of tuition. If your child transfers after the first trimester, there is no tuition refund.

Why are tuition contracts issued?

The tuition contract represents a “best practice” in the financial relationship between families and school; St. Mary Interparochial School is committed to maintaining healthy, cooperative interactions with school families.

Can I apply for financial aid?

Yes. You should immediately contact school to apply. St. Mary Interparochial School utilizes the BLOCS application for all forms of tuition assistance. If financial assistance is granted, your tuition contract will reflect the adjustment to your monthly payment. If you are a Philadelphia resident, you may qualify for Children’s Scholarship Fund.

Do I have to pay a late fee if my payment to FACTS Tuition Service was just a little late?

Yes. FACTS charges a late fee as soon as your payment is late. If you don’t pay your late fee, FACTS deducts the fee from your tuition payment and St. Mary Interparochial School does not receive your full month’s tuition payment. You honor your commitment to the School by paying all fees.

What should I do if I fall behind on my payments?

You should immediately contact Mrs. Meredith. St. Mary Interparochial School is committed to finding financial solutions for families cooperating with the School. Your cooperation is demonstrated when you are accountable for your financial responsibilities. St. Mary Interparochial School has emergency funds available for any family who is in need of financial assistance; the Finance Committee is prepared to help with tuition assistance if necessary.

What are the consequences of delinquent tuition payments?

The consequences of late or unpaid tuitions affect both the individual and the community. For the family and student, certain opportunities and records may be denied. If the problem becomes severe, the student may be separated from the School and future registration denied. The community is harmed when one of its

members fails to cooperate and/or is separated from the group. The School has payroll obligations to the faculty and staff and must meet maintenance and utility costs to keep the building safe and secure for the students.