



Little Flower Catholic School

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Grant and Scholarship Information

Little Flower Catholic School accepts the following grants and scholarships to help families who need financial assistance to choose a Catholic School education for their child. You may schedule use of our school computer lab if necessary. All families applying for tuition assistance are required to complete the Step Up for Children application online. Contact the principal for appropriate special requests.

**Read all requirements for eligibility before applying.*

**All deadlines are final.*

**Include the required documents needed.*

Little Flower Catholic School – Funded Financial Aid

This source of Financial Aid is funded solely by LFCS for those in need of financial assistance. LFCS uses the services of a third-party vendor, **FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment**, to assess financial need. LFCS attempts to assist family whose ability to invest in private school education is less than their incurred costs. Application for Financial Aid must be done through **FACTS Grant and Aid Financial Need Assessment**. For a family to be considered for Financial Aid from LFCS, it is mandatory for the family to apply online. The parent must submit to FACTS the IRS Form 1040 for 2016 or 2017 with all supporting schedules and the 2017 W-2 Wage & Tax Statements. Copies of supporting documentation for household SS Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) must also be provided. A new application is required for each school year –financial aid is NOT automatically renewed. The deadline to apply for financial aid by means of a FACTS Grant and Aid application is March 1, 2018. There is a \$30 application fee payable to FACTS.

IN SUMMARY:

•Go to the FACTS website to apply

THIS IS MANDATORY TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINANCIAL AID

•Apply at <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3T2RP>

•Login using your existing FACTS login information

•Follow the instructions on the website to make application.

•Families must apply annually. Qualifying for Financial Aid in 2018-2019 does NOT guarantee Aid in 2018-2019.

•The deadline for all Financial Aid applications to LFCS is March 1, 2018

Parish Participation Subsidy

If you are an active registered member of a Catholic parish, you may ask your pastor to sign the eligibility form. This subsidy pays \$800.00 tuition per child. Subsidy forms are found on our

website or in the school office. The Parish subsidy is between the Catholic Parish and the active registered member of the Catholic Parish.

Sibling Grant

Families paying tuition for more than one child attending Little Flower School may qualify for financial assistance of \$250 for each additional child, up to a maximum of \$1,500 per family, depending on their financial need analysis as determined by FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. You will apply online at www.factstuitionaid.com. Although applications will be accepted online at any time, *funds are limited*, so you are encouraged to apply as early as possible.

The State of Florida funds three types of scholarships as part of the School Choice Program. Little Flower Catholic School accepts these three state-funded scholarships for those who qualify for them according to the State's eligibility criteria:

McKay Scholarship

This state-funded scholarship is for students with an identified learning disability. Those who are eligible should apply online at www.floridaschoolchoice.org

Step Up for Children Scholarships (Florida Tax Credit)

This scholarship is strictly income-based. Families who are financially eligible should visit the SUFS website at www.stepupforstudents.org and register their interest in a SUFS scholarship. Then, when the window for SUFS scholarship applications opens, the SUFS Program will then notify those registered so that they can immediately proceed to complete an application. SUFS Scholarship funds are limited so it is imperative that families apply as soon as the window for the following year's scholarship applications opens.

AAA Scholarship

This scholarship is strictly income-based. Families who are financially eligible should visit the AAA website at www.aaascholarships.org.

Gardiner Scholarship

This scholarship is for students with certain special needs. Please visit their website at www.stepupforstudents.org for specific information and to make application.