Annunciation Tuition Discount for Active, Registered, and Participating Parishioners

Annunciation Catholic School is happy to extend a discounted tuition rate to registered, active, and participating Catholics of St. Gabriel Parish and other parishes of our Diocese. This gift is extended to parishioners in appreciation for their demonstrable history of consistent participation in, and support of, their parish communities. The definition of Active and Participating is determined by the Pastor of each parish.

Verification of registered, active and participating parishioner status for St. Gabriel families is decided by the parish office after a review of consistent parish financial support (through use of the contribution envelope system or online giving) and regular involvement in a parish ministry over the course of the preceding calendar year. Final determination is made by the parish office. Registered, active, and participating status is not achieved merely by making a one-time financial contribution to the parish.

St. Gabriel Parish Verification Guidelines for Purposes of In-Parish Discounted Tuition Rate:

- Registration: A family must be registered as a parishioner of St. Gabriel Parish, as recorded in our parish database. If recently registered at St. Gabriel Parish (within the past 6 months), a Verification of Parishioner Status form from the previous parish will be accepted to qualify for In-Parish discounted tuition rate until regular parishioner status can be established at St. Gabriel Parish. Parish registration requirements apply to the custodial parent/guardian of the child. Grandparents are not a substitute for parental registration and active participation, unless they retain overall guardianship.
- Regular Attendance: Catholics are obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. This standard is an ancient one in our tradition, provided to help the Catholic maintain regular contact with the Word of God, the Eucharist and one's faith community. Parents of Catholic students should be particularly aware of this teaching of the Church.
- Active Participation: Evidence of attendance at parish Masses is largely subjective (e.g. being known to one of the priests and seen regularly at Mass or being regularly involved in a liturgical ministry).
- Financial Support: Regular receipt of a contribution envelope or online giving would be an objective measure of regularity of attendance at St. Gabriel Parish. The level of financial support may vary, and genuine financial health of a family is always considered when assessing a family's level of financial support.
- Involvement of Parent or Child in a Parish Ministry: Verified, regular participation of the student or a parent in one of the ministries of St. Gabriel Parish [excluding specific Annunciation Catholic School volunteer opportunities] will also be considered as a criterion to establish verification as a registered, active, and participating parishioner of St. Gabriel Parish.

Verification of Active Parishioner Status

Annunciation Catholic School offers a reduced tuition rate for families who are registered, active, participating members of Catholic parishes. Definitions of registered, active, participating memberships vary by parish; it is up to each individual pastor to decide the policy for his community.

To receive the active Catholic rate for the school year, please ask your parish office to complete the verification information below along with your pastor's signature and parish seal or stamp.

Parent Names: _____

Student Names: _____

School Year: 20__ - 20__

I verify that _____ are active parishioners of
Family Name

_____
Parish Name

Pastor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please place Church seal or stamp here:

Please mail, fax or email this form to the school office.

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