Resurrection Catholic School Frequently Asked Questions

Why is the school moving away from the stewardship model?

After careful consultation and discernment with the school administration, parish finance council, and diocesan offices, we recognized that the stewardship model was no longer sustainable for the long-term health of the school. Many families were paying well below the cost to educate a child, making it increasingly difficult to support programming, staffing, and operations. This shift brings us into closer alignment with other Catholic schools and ensures our continued strength. The stewardship model served our community well in the past, especially when there was a more balanced distribution among the different tuition rates (A, B, and C). However, in recent years, the majority of families have understandably selected the lowest rate, which has made it financially unsustainable for the school to continue operating under this model. We are currently in the process of finalizing the budget for the upcoming school year and as we reviewed our financial position, it became clear that we could not continue operating under the current model without risking the quality and sustainability of the school.

Why is tuition set at \$6,100?

The \$6,100 rate reflects the Diocesan recommended tuition standard and is still significantly below the full cost to educate a student at RCS (which is closer to \$10,000), and it is comparable with other Catholic Schools in the area. The new tuition rate will help us balance the health and sustainability of running a Catholic school with our mission to make it affordable as possible.

Is this the final amount, or can it go higher in the future?

\$6,100 is the tuition for the **first child** for the 2025–26 year. There will be discounts offered for each additional child enrolled at the school. We will always work to keep increases minimal and predictable, and we will continue to offer tuition assistance to help families manage costs. Future changes, if any, would be communicated in advance.



Tuition Assistance & Financial Aid

What if my family can't afford \$6,100?

We understand that not every family's situation is the same. That's why we're increasing the **amount of tuition assistance** available. We strongly encourage you to apply for aid through **FACTS**, and Marianela Nunez, who assists families in the diocese with FACTS will be available to help you through the process step by step.

How does the tuition assistance process work?

You will submit your financial information confidentially through the FACTS portal. Based on your family's need, FACTS recommends an award amount, and then the school reviews the recommendations and finalizes the awards. The goal is to ensure that families who value a Catholic education are not turned away due to their financial constraints.

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While we cannot guarantee a specific amount, we are committed to doing everything possible to support families. If you apply by the deadline and submit complete documentation, we will work with you to try to make tuition as affordable as possible.



Transition Process & Timeline

When does the new tuition model begin?

The new model goes into effect for the **2025–2026** academic year.

When will the first payment for 25-26 be withdrawn from my account?

The first payment for the 25-26 academic year is scheduled to come out on **July 3, 2025.** Please be aware that families who do not apply for financial aid, but that are receiving a discounted tuition rate will be charged the full tuition amount if a financial aid application is not submitted by May 31st.

9 Are there different payment plans available?

The school offers three main payment plans: paid in full, twice a year, or monthly. You can select your preferred payment plan through the FACTS portal by signing in to your account or creating one if you haven't done so already.

What about multichild discounts?

Yes, multi-child discounts will still apply. Full details will be shared during the enrollment contract period and info sessions.



Impact on School Community

Will this change who can attend RCS?

Our mission remains the same: to welcome all families who desire a Catholic education for their children. We are working hard to ensure that **no one is turned away due to specific financial circumstances**, however tuition assistance is limited. This new model will help us better support both families and the school long-term.

Next Steps for Families

What should I do now?

- 1. If you have questions or concerns, please sign up for a 1:1 meeting.
- 2. Review your family's budget and consider if financial aide is your next step.
- If applying for tuition assistance, gather all documentation necessary.
- 4. **Apply for tuition assistance** as soon as possible through FACTS.
- 5. Wait for the school to review your application and accept your tuition contract through FACTS.

13 Who can I talk to if I'm confused or worried?

We welcome conversations. You can meet with the **Principal**, or **Marianela Nunez - Office of Catholic Education - Director of Enrollment** for support with tuition questions or tuition assistance applications.