

Diocese of Grand Rapids
Parish Support for Grand Rapids Catholic Secondary
Schools 2015-2016 Request Form

Family Requesting Support _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Student Name _____ Grade _____

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Student Name _____ Grade _____

Name of School Attending: _____

Name of Home Parish: _____

By signing this form I am accepting responsibility for being an active member of this parish through regular participation at worship and the stewardship of my time, talent, and treasure. If parish support is granted, I understand that my parish will provide \$885 of support per student to reduce my tuition and an additional \$265 per student in support of the Grand Rapids Catholic Secondary Schools.

_____ Envelope # _____

Parishioner Signature

PARISH USE ONLY

This parish will provide support for the Catholic school education of our parishioner students (9-12) enrolled in the Grand Rapids Catholic Secondary Schools. Parish support has been designated at \$1,150 (\$885 student portion/\$265 school portion) per student for the 2015-2016 school year.

☐ Approved ☐ Pastor requests a meeting with parent(s)/student(s) ☐ Denied

Pastor (or authorized designee) Signature _____

Parish _____ Parish Phone Number _____

Contact Person _____

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM DIRECTLY TO YOUR PARISH BY NOVEMBER 15, 2014.

If submitted directly to the Business Office without Parish approval, the form will be returned to the Parishioner for submission to their Parish.

Diocese of Grand Rapids

Parish Support for Grand Rapids Catholic Secondary Schools

There is no substitute for a quality Catholic school education. As a result, parishes in the Diocese of Grand Rapids support the ministry of Catholic schools through a high level of financial investment in the Catholic schools that serve the children of registered and active parishioner families, even if their parish does not have its own high school. This significant financial support is contributed by the family's parish directly to the Grand Rapids Catholic Secondary Schools. This parish support is a substantial benefit to families by making Catholic Secondary Education more affordable and by making them eligible to receive an \$885 per student credit toward tuition.

Parishes without schools:

- Support for elementary students (K-8) is set at \$1,150 per student for the school year 2015-2016 with an increase of \$50 per year for successive years. This support is granted to GRCSS and those parishioners who request it and have the support of their pastors. In return, with the acceptance of the support by the receiving parish, the parishioner shall receive the "in parish tuition rate".
- Support for secondary school students (9-12) is set at \$1,150 for the school year 2015-2016 with an increase of \$50 per year for successive years. This support is granted to GRCSS and those parishioners who request it and have the support of their pastors.

Parishes with schools operated or sponsored by a parish:

- Parishes that operate and sponsor an elementary school are not obliged to support another elementary school but are expected to provide support at the secondary level (9-12).
- Support for secondary school students (9-12) is set at \$1,150 effective the school year 2015-2016 with an increase of \$50 per year for successive years. This support is granted to GRCSS and those parishioners who request it and have the support of their pastors.

Please Note: It is not the intent of the \$50 per year increase in support to lower tuition but to provide additional funds for grants and scholarships and other development efforts to maintain excellent Catholic schools.

Instructions: If you are a registered and active member of a parish and your situation meets the criteria of this policy, please complete the Parish Support Form and submit the completed form to the pastor of your parish.

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