

St. John Neumann Catholic Church
Tuition Grant Agreement Form

Family Name: _____

Dear Parents,

We are blessed that you have chosen to join with us in your family's faith journey as together we live out our parish mission to bring people to a transformative encounter with Jesus Christ. The pathway to Discipleship at St. John Neumann is Life Groups in which we **Connect, Pray, Study, and Serve**.

Each family is a Life Group. Trends show that parents, who continue to develop their own faith as adults, and model faith to their children, are more likely to raise children who keep practicing their faith as adults.

Therefore, parents can expect St. John Neumann Parish to offer a variety of opportunities for connection, prayer, study and service to develop their own faith in order to pass the faith to their children. Likewise, the parish expects parents to be invested and involved in their own faith development in order to receive a grant from our parishioners to help support their children's education while attending a Catholic school. Filling the expectations of the grant ensures we are good stewards in the support of families who are truly invested in developing their faith and perpetuating it.

Parish Grants are available to help fund Catholic education for students in kindergarten through high school, based on the school they are attending, and are bestowed on the basis of meeting the following expectations:

- 1) Catholic Parents are living their Catholic Faith by attending weekly Mass, as well as engaging in daily prayer including Adoration;
- 2) Parents growing in their Catholic/Christian Faith by participating in Life Groups, other on-going study to grow in their knowledge and relationship of God and His church or utilizing FORMED.org or Word on Fire through <https://saintjohnsunbury.flocknote.com/>
- 3) The family is serving others in the mission of the Church;
- 4) The family is a registered and participating member of St. John Neumann, pledging and contributing a gift to the annual offertory program in an identifiable way (on-line giving through WeShare, envelope, check).

A family is acknowledged as a "Participating Member" based upon these expectations. If there are any hardships in meeting these expectations, please contact the parish business manager, development director or pastor. Exceptions can be made in situations where there is need.

We ask that the family completes this Tuition Grant Agreement Form each year. If a current Offertory Commitment Card is not on file, one must be turned in with the completed agreement. This allows the parish the benefit of including the amount of the grant into its projected budget for the coming fiscal year, starting July 1. If the family does not return this form with an Offertory Commitment form for budget inclusion, they may not be able to receive support, since there will be no amount budgeted for them. Prior to tuition being paid by the parish; if the parents do not meet the expectations; the parents and the school will be notified that the family will be paying the full per pupil cost.

Calendar of Dates

March 1 – Tuition Grant Agreement Form available

May 1 - Tuition Grant Agreement Form due to parish office with the School Agreement Form (if required by school)

October – Confirmation of Participating Member, completed form on file before parish paying Tuition Grant to the school

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Parent Name: _____ Catholic? Yes No Participating? Yes No
Parent Name: _____ Catholic? Yes No Participating? Yes No
*Student Name: _____ School _____ Grade _____ Amount \$ _____
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Total amount billed to St. John Neumann by the school(s) and requested to be given through offertory: \$ _____

Pray – Please describe your family worship, especially as it relates to the weekly Mass and other prayer. Please be specific about how often you attend Mass, where, and at which times. Also note if you participate in Eucharistic Adoration.

Study – Please describe any parish faith formation activities such as bible study, discipleship group, retreats, conferences or speakers the parents and children are involved in – or plan to be involved in beginning in the fall.

Serve– Please describe ministries your family contributes time and talent in serving others in the Church or community: Liturgical, Festival, Good Samaritan Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul, Catechist, other service to the community.

Give – Do you consistently offer financial support of the parish’s mission and works through regular offertory? Please attach your Offertory Commitment Card, if not already submitted. If you are unable to give financially, please help us understand your extenuating circumstances here or by requesting a meeting.

Recognizing some families are blessed with financial resources that others are not, the Parish Grant Application encompasses two levels. We are asking families to take a careful look at their finances and discern their level of need.

I request a **Level 1 Parish Grant**: gift to offertory will exceed the tuition amount paid by the parish to school(s) and will comply with expectations to the best of our ability.

Signature

Date

I request a **Level 2 Parish Grant**: additional grant assistance is needed as we can’t meet the tuition amount paid by the parish to the school(s); I request a meeting to discuss.

Signature

Date

I request a meeting to discuss our family’s inability to comply with the expectations that are spiritual in nature: prayer, attending weekly Mass, study, or serving the church and community.

Signature

Date

If there are any hardships in meeting these expectations, please contact us at 740-965-1358 x 123 or jsutton.saintjohn@gmail.com