



SAINT BRIGID OF KILDARE SCHOOL

Seeking Grace and Wisdom

# OUR FINANCIAL STRUCTURE

## Our school's tuition is cost-based.

Cost-based tuition means that tuition will be determined based on the actual cost of operating the school. Most parochial schools rely heavily on their parishes to provide operating subsidies to the schools. These subsidies typically take the form of an across the board reduction in tuition for all families regardless of each family's ability to pay. Besides putting financial strain on the parishes, this practice is ineffective at delivering limited resources to those who need them the most. Cost-based tuition ensures the long-term success of our school.

School Tuition Rate <i>(a sample school year is illustrated below)</i>	
Yearly estimated school operating cost	\$3,465,000
Estimated enrollment	550
Cost per student (\$3,465,000 / 550)	\$6,300

Our school has established an endowment fund designed to keep tuition affordable. As our endowments grow, income generated from those funds may be used to offset future tuition increases.

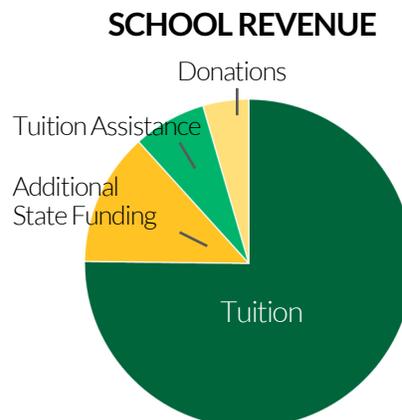
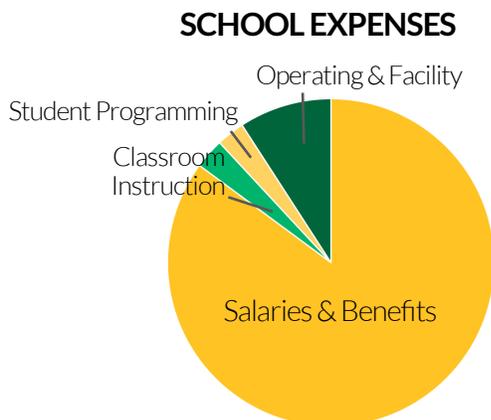
## We deliver need-based assistance.

Saint Brigid of Kildare School and Parish is committed to supporting all families who desire Catholic education. Tuition assistance is based on what each family needs to make Catholic education affordable.

Last year, over  
**\$300,000**  
 in tuition support was delivered.

## This ensures our stable financial future.

With the school's revenue meeting or exceeding its expenses each year, the school remains financially viable.



# YOUR TUITION DOLLARS

## We focus on efficiently meeting our students' needs.

At Saint Brigid of Kildare School, our focus is on providing the resources to meet the needs of all of our diverse learners, while keeping tuition dollars reasonable.

**\$6,300**

Spending per pupil at Saint Brigid of Kildare School

**\$10,920**

Spending per pupil in Dublin City Schools\*

\*Based on 2018-19 data from the ODE.

The per pupil cost is the cost to educate each child based on current operating expenses. Since the cost to educate each child is the same, the cost-based model does not support a multi-child discount. Families needing assistance with tuition are encouraged to apply for an Oak Society grant or tuition assistance.

## Your tuition dollars support individualized instruction.

Below is a summary of how your tuition dollars are spent. This is based on the tuition rate of \$6,300.



Learning Aids: \$59

Classroom Technology: \$56

Classroom Supplies: \$48

Staff Development: \$46

Religious Instruction: \$28

Communication & Marketing: \$8

# YOUR PARTNERS IN EDUCATION

## Your tax dollars help provide essential student services.

Last year, Saint Brigid of Kildare School received close to \$1,000,000 in government funding and services — your tax dollars! These funds cover our guidance counselor, nurses, intervention specialists, local busing, and much of our classroom technology and secular teaching aids.

This amounts to about

**\$1,784**

per student each year.

## The parish shares its resources to help support the school.

The parish supports the school financially by funding tuition assistance and providing critical support services like tuition and revenue processing, bill paying, payroll and human resource services, facility management and development planning. The parish also absorbs all major capital repairs, grounds maintenance and debt service on the buildings.