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Q & A: Parish rate vs. Non-Parish rate

What is the non-parish rate of tuition? The non-parish rate of tuition is the actual cost per pupil. In other words, what it costs St. Paul Parish for each student in our school. The non-parish rate of tuition, or actual cost per pupil for the 2008-2009, school year is \$4,900.

What is the parishioner rate of tuition? The parishioner rate of tuition is a subsidized rate of tuition for families who are registered, active, and supporting members of the parish for at least one year prior to registering their children at St. Paul School. For one child the subsidized rate is nearly one-half the actual cost per pupil. (Families who physically move into St. Paul Parish boundaries within the year prior to registration will be eligible for the parish rate of tuition.)

Who makes up the difference in the actual cost per pupil when a family receives the parishioner rate of tuition? St. Paul's parish unless the family is being subsidized by another area Catholic church such as Little Flower, Holy Spirit, etc.

Who is considered a registered, active, and supporting member of St. Paul Church?

Families who are registered in our Parish Data System (PDS), and who use their envelopes on a consistent basis are considered to be active and supporting members.

How much money do I have to give to be considered a supporting member? The consistency of giving is the main issue, not the amount. School families who are receiving the parishioner rate of tuition must use their offering envelopes since this is our only record of participation and financial support.

What happens if I have more than one child in the school, do I received a subsidized rate of tuition for additional children? Families paying the *non-parishioner* rate of tuition pay the actual cost per pupil for *each* child they have in the school.

Families receiving the parishioner rate of tuition will be subsidized as follows:

One child:	Nearly one-half the actual cost per pupil
Two children:	One child rate plus 71.4% of the one child rate
Three children:	Two children rate plus 38% of one child rate

What tuition payment options are available? Families who choose to make one tuition payment may make their payment directly to St. Paul School. When making one payment the payment is due on or before 8/15.

For those families who want to make two payments, monthly or quarterly payments, they must enroll in the tuition management plan. Families on this plan may choose between two payments, monthly or quarterly payments; electronic deduction from their bank account, or may be billed for their payments and may choose a payment date of the 10th, 20th, or 30th of the month. Payments are made over a nine-month period, August through April. There is a small yearly enrollment fee for this service.

If I have additional tuition questions whom may I contact? The parish office at 330-499-2201