



LAKE MICHIGAN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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2006-2007 Tuition Rate Guidelines

The following tuition guidelines have been recommended by the Finance Council as well as the Pastors for the 2006-2007 school year at their meeting on January 19, 2006. Final rates for tuition will be published by the end of February 2006.

I. Multi-Child Discount

- a. The multi-child discount will be updated for the 2006-2007 school year.
- b. The breakdown for multi-child discount will be as follows:
 - i. For the first child the family pays 100%
 - ii. For the second child the family pays 100%
 - iii. For the third child the family pays 60%
 - iv. For the fourth (or more) the family will pay zero tuition. Families will be assessed for books and fees where applicable.
- c. To receive the multi-child discount, the children must be an IRS dependent of the family.

II. Rates of Tuition

- a. **Subsidized Rate** - This is the rate of tuition that is afforded to members of the Parish community (SS. John & Bernard or St. Joseph), St. Joseph Watervliet or Sacred Heart in Dowagiac. All of the above mentioned parishes support Lake Michigan Catholic Schools with direct subsidy.
- b. **Non-Subsidized Catholic Rate** – This rate is equal to the Subsidized Rate plus \$800 per student. This rate is for Catholic families who do not belong to the parishes mentioned in Item a, but wish to provide a Catholic education to their children. Students coming from parishes in New Buffalo, Hartford, Niles or South Haven would qualify for this rate. This rate reflects the financial commitment these families have to their home parishes.
- c. **Non-Catholic Rate** - The current rate for Non-Catholic students is twice the Subsidized Rate. The Finance Council is investigating alternatives to the current policy that is fair to our Non-Catholic families. A decision will be published prior to the March registration period.
- d. **International or Exchange Students Rate** – These students interested in attending Lake Michigan Catholic Schools will be responsible for payment of tuition, books and fees. Tuition amounts will be determined on a case by case basis. Arrangements for the payment of tuition, books and fees must be made with the business office prior to admittance to the school.

- III. **Important Note:** Financial Aid is available to those families who qualify. All families are encouraged to apply for aid. The schools, with the financial support of the Twin Cities Area Catholic Schools Fund and other benefactors are committed to working with any family interested in providing a Catholic education to their children.