

**HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL
SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS & FINANCIAL AID
2018-2019**

1. For optimal award for academic year 2018-2019 application should be completed online by Monday, April 30, 2018. Application may be completed anytime during school year but awards are based on funds available at the time.
2. To be eligible for any Scholarship Grant Aid award, students and families must:
 - a. Have completed the registration process for the upcoming academic year.
 - b. Be up to date on all financial obligations; Tuition, Fees, Fundraising, Parish Contributions, Cash Cards, Angel Points.
3. The application process for both the Diocesan EPSF scholarships (EITC and OSTC) and Holy Family Scholarship Grant and Financial Aid is performed online. Families with other children attending diocese schools only need to apply once for award consideration at each school.
 - a. Step 1: Enter in your web browser: www.factstuitionaid.com
 - b. Step 2: Select **Applicant Sign In**
 - c. Step 3: Enter your existing Username and Password. All families established this during registration.
 - d. Step 4: Complete the FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment application online.
 - e. Step 5: Fax or mail the tax documents needed to verify your application directly to FACTS. Instructions & documents needed are listed on the FGAA Checklist that is found online.
 - FACTS Toll Free Parent Call Center for live conversation and assistance 866-315-9262
Monday –Thursday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm CST, Friday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm CST.
 - The Application Fee is \$15.00 per family, paid online.
 - Award decisions are made by The Holy Family School Scholarship Committee.
 - Decisions will be emailed through FACTS in June 2018.
 - Upon your acceptance and receipt of Thank you note, the award is applied to your FACTS tuition account.

SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS AVAILABLE

The Eastern Pennsylvania Scholarship Foundation

The EPSF provides partial scholarship grants to needy and deserving students in the catholic schools of the Diocese of Allentown through the generosity of businesses in response to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s Educational Improvement and Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit programs. Disbursement of these funds is subject to the guidelines established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Eastern Pennsylvania Scholarship Foundation. Both EITC & OSTC eligibility requirements are based upon the number of dependents within a household and **NOT** household size.

▪ **EITC – Educational Improvement Tax Credit *2018-2019**

Eligible students are school age residents of Pennsylvania, enrolled in a Catholic School located in the Diocese of Allentown from a household that has combined annual income no more than \$78,036*. Additional income allowance of \$15,608* for each dependent living in the household. School age students range from Prekindergarten (only 3 & 4 year olds) and Kindergarten through graduation from high school or 21 years of age, whichever occurs first. Awards will be based funding and on greatest need.

- Family of 2 (1 working parent + 1 child) is eligible with a household income < \$93,544
- Family of 3 (2 working parents + 1 child) is eligible with a household income < \$93,544
- Family of 4 (2 working parents + 2 children) is eligible with a household income < \$109,252
- Family of 4 (1 working parent + 3 children) is eligible with a household income < \$124,860

OSTC- Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit

Eligible students meet EITC income limits and **MUST RESIDE** within the boundaries of one of the 15% lowest performing schools in the State of Pennsylvania and the above income guidelines apply. Priority will be given to families at 185% of Federal poverty level (approx. \$42,000 for family of 4). This eligibility criterion was established by the State of Pennsylvania as an “income ceiling.” Awards will be based funding and on greatest need.

* The income limits for both EITC and OSTC are April 16, 2018.

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THE MCCALLUM SCHOLARSHIP

The McCallum scholarship fund has been established in the loving memory of Joey McCallum. Joey McCallum died of a brain tumor at the age of four in 1985. His parents run a bowling tournament annually to raise money for the scholarship to keep the spirit of Joey alive. **The amount of this scholarship varies from year to year.** To be eligible, a child must be in K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grade.

YEAW SCHOLARSHIP GRANT

The Yeaw scholarship fund has been established in honor of Barbara Amabile. Barbara Amabile was involved in Diocesan Education for 30 years, a Principal since 1979, and a past Principal of Holy Family School for 11 years. She considers her time at Holy Family School her “best years in education”. She wants to emphasize Holy Family’s “quality of education and the wonderful opportunity provided children to grow both spiritually and academically.” Money in this fund has been donated by Mr. and Mrs. Yeaw to support the Catholic School Tradition. **The amount of this scholarship varies from year to year.** To be eligible, a child must be in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade.

JAMES F. KEPPEL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP – 2 AWARDS

The James F. Keppel Foundation was established in memory of James F. Keppel. Jim was the first of the Keppel’s four children to attend Holy Family School K-8. He graduated from Bethlehem Catholic High School and Yale University in 2002. Sadly, he passed away in May 2003. **Two scholarships are awarded. The amount of each scholarship is \$500.** To be eligible, a child must be in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL – HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Home & School Association Scholarship Fund was established by the parents of the Holy Family School in 2003. This scholarship is in memory of Mrs. Lynn O’Callaghan. “Mrs. O” was a sixth, seventh and eighth grade teacher of Language Arts, Literature and Religion at Holy Family School for 15 years. An avid reader, she particularly enjoyed teaching literature. She loved Ireland, lived there for a year and married an Irish man; however, when she came to Nazareth, she said she “found a home.” In September 2004, Mrs. O. lost her battle to cancer. A portion of all fundraising efforts conducted by the Home & School Association are set aside to assist school families who need assistance meeting their tuition obligation. Disbursement of these funds and the size of each scholarship award is the sole discretion of the Holy Family School Scholarship Committee. **The amount of award money available will vary from year to year depending upon the success of previous year’s fundraising efforts and donations received.** To be eligible, a child may be in any grade.

THE CHARLENE NOTO-MORGAN SCHOLARSHIP

With fond memories and gratefulness, the Charlene Noto-Morgan Scholarship is dedicated to any student of Holy Family School. The years Charlene attended Holy Family School were filled with education and reverence. Charlene has completed her pursued education and would like to share her admiration with a current student who demonstrates the values of volunteering and a need for financial assistance. **The amount of this scholarship is \$500.** To be eligible, a child may be in any grade.

FISHER FINANCIAL AID AWARD

This award is given by Bob and Colette Fisher. The award will be given to a student entering grades 1-8 demonstrating financial need to assist the family to continue to provide a Catholic education to their child. The amount will be \$500.

FINANCIAL AID

Awards to Families who need assistance meeting their tuition obligation will vary from year to year depending upon the donations designated to Holy Family School and Holy Family Church.

TUITION TRANSFER GRANT

This Grant is offered to students entering grades 1-7 who are transferring from a Public, Non-Catholic Private, Charter or Homeschool. For consideration, request and complete Contract for Recipient of the Tuition Transfer Grant and return at Enrollment/Registration. Funds are applied to FACTS account at the end of the 1st and 2nd school year if the terms are met.

Applications are income verified for all adults living in household. A household is defined as either an individual residing alone or with the following:

- a) A spouse, parent, or their unemancipated minor child(ren)
- b) Other children related by blood or through marriage.
- c) Other adults or minor children living in the household and dependent upon the head of the said household.