

January 14, 2020

Dear Saints Peter and Paul School Families,

I hope this letter finds you well at the beginning of this New Year. The purpose of my letter is to inform you of the grade school tuition assistance opportunities that are available to you. Each of these opportunities have specific due dates and require an application to be submitted electronically. I encourage you to apply for tuition assistance even if you are unsure whether or not you will need assistance for the 2020/2021 school year. Here are those opportunities.

Saints Peter and Paul and the Diocese of Joliet Catholic Education Foundation (CEF)

Each school year, Saints Peter and Paul and the Diocese of Joliet Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) offers tuition assistance to many families in need of financial assistance. The tuition assistance application process for both is handled via FACTS Tuition Assistance and will begin January 15, 2020 and ends March 1, 2020. You can begin the application process by visiting the FACTS website <https://online.factsmgmt.com/signin/3G6T5>. For families who apply by March 1st, their application is processed by FACTS for tuition assistance consideration from both Saints Peter and Paul and the Diocesan CEF. Please note to be considered for tuition assistance from the Diocesan CEF, a family is required to submit a completed application **before March 1, 2020**. This can make a significant difference in the amount of assistance you receive so please apply early. FACTS will charge a one-time \$35 processing fee to all applicants. For additional information regarding the Diocesan CEF tuition assistance, you may reach Ms. Shirley Roberson at either sroberson@dioceseofjoliet.org or call her at (815) 221-6127. For additional information regarding Saints Peter and Paul tuition assistance, please send an email to tuitionassistancehelp@sspeterandpaul.net or call 630-718-2235.

Empower Illinois – 2020/2021 Tax Scholarship

The State of Illinois offers tuition assistance through the Empower Illinois program. The application process begins January 15, 2020 at 7:00 pm. You can begin the application process by visiting the Empower Illinois website <https://empowerillinois.org/>. You will find on the main page of the website a button for parents/students to apply for assistance. When you click on the apply button you will be directed to family/student/parent page that contains information such as How do I apply?, How does it work? and Do I qualify?. Also there is Q and A section for further assistance.

Again, I encourage you to apply for all the tuition assistance opportunities that are available as outlined above.

May Almighty God Bless your family throughout this New Year.
In the Peace of Christ,



Fr. Brad Baker
Pastor