



**Good Shepherd Catholic School  
Tuition and Fees  
2012-2013**

The following policies govern all elementary students, K-8, attending Good Shepherd Catholic School, Hillsboro, MO.

**Tuition Rates and School Fees (K-8)**

1 Child:	\$315 per month/12 months \$344.64 per month/11 months Annual total: \$3,780
2 Children:	\$400 per month/12 months \$436.36 per month/11 months Annual total: \$4,800
3+Children:	\$462 per month/12 months \$504 per month/11 months Annual total: \$5,544

There is a \$100 non-refundable registration fee per family.

- Late registration fee of \$50 after April 10, 2012
- **(If you have applied for Tuition Assistance Late Fee will be waived.)**

There is a \$50 book fee per child.

- Late book fee of an additional \$15 per child after August 15, 2012

*2% discount if the total tuition is paid by August 31, 2012: 1% discount if tuition is paid by semesters (August 31, 2012 and January 31, 2013)*

Each **family** (friends and relatives may purchase and credit it to your family’s account) will purchase \$2,000 worth of Together We’re Better Certificates between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013 **OR** pay \$50 per quarter due the first day of each quarter.

Each **family** is required to satisfy a minimum of **20** points per school year in parent participation. (One point equals one hour in most cases.) The calendar year in which a family must accumulate the **20** points runs from July 1 through May 31 each year. At the end of the school year, a fee of \$10 per each unearned point will be assessed to each family.

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**Tuition Rates (PreK)**

Monday-Friday (full day) Full School Day Lunch and 2 snacks	\$374 per month/10 months (August-May) Year total: \$3,740.00
Monday-Friday (half-day) 7:30 to 11:30 (1snack)	\$187 per month/10 months (August-May) Year total: \$1870.00

There is a non-refundable \$100 supply fee per year, per pre-kindergarten student to be paid at the time of registration.

***For those who go on to Good Shepherd’s Kindergarten Program, a \$20 tuition reduction per month will be in effect for that year.***

## **Registration Process**

Registration will not be accepted unless tuition payments for the current school year are up to date. Students for each and every class at Good Shepherd Catholic School will be accepted for enrollment in the following order:

1. Children of registered parishioners with siblings already attending Good Shepherd Catholic School
2. Children of registered parishioners
3. Catholic children of non-parishioners with siblings already attending Good Shepherd Catholic School
4. Catholic children of non-parishioners
5. Non-Catholic children with siblings already attending Good Shepherd Catholic School
6. Non-Catholic children (Education Commission Policy adopted 8/7/01)

## **Billing and Payments**

Tuition for the school fiscal year is paid beginning with the month of June 2012 and ending with the month of May 2013. **All school families will receive a payment envelope for the coming month. Statements will be issued monthly. Tuition is due on the first of each month and payable by the 15<sup>th</sup>. Any family who fails to pay the tuition by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month will be considered in arrears and will be assessed a \$10 late fee, unless prior financial arrangements have been made with the pastor or members of the tuition committee.**

Tuition cannot be in arrears prior to the first day of school unless approved by the pastor.

Report cards and grades will be withheld from any family who is in arrears.

Any family who is seriously in arrears will receive a notice informing them that the child/children will not be allowed to attend classes until the balance is paid in full. If the balance cannot be paid due to serious financial problems, the family should arrange a meeting with the Tuition Committee by contacting the pastor.

Transcripts, health records, grades, etc. will not be forwarded to any given school until all outstanding balances are paid in full.

## **Tuition Committee**

The Tuition Committee consists of four persons appointed by the pastor: one elementary school parent, one former parochial school parent, one non-parent, and one member from the Finance Commission.

The Tuition Committee is willing to work with families who are having serious financial problems. The Committee's objective will be to work out some type of payment plan and/or overdue tuition rate on an individual basis so that no one is denied a Catholic education. Meetings and financial data obtained by this committee will be held in strictest confidence.

## **Tuition Reduction**

Any family seeking to reduce the tuition must request an application for tuition assistance from the pastor or from any member of the Tuition Committee. All applicants must be registered parishioners and must be active in their faith. Applicants will be asked to make use of their time and talents in parish and school activities.

After the completed form is returned to the committee, the Tuition Committee members will meet. If there is a need to meet with any family, the Tuition Committee or the pastor will meet at the earliest convenience. Until a family meets with the Tuition Committee or hears from the Tuition Committee, the family is obligated to pay the full amount. The committee will not routinely apply the reduced tuition amount retroactively.

**An application for tuition assistance must be completed annually.**