



PROVIDENCE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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TUITION & FEES FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026

"There's a feeling here that is hard to miss if you spend any time here. . .a tremendous rapport between students and faculty. The faculty is extremely concerned about the kids, not only academically. A number of people are involved in other areas nobody even knows about. I think at any one time probably the whole faculty is involved in something, for somebody."

Catholic Schools and the Common Good
Anthony S. Bryk, Valerie E. Lee and Peter B. Holland

Dear Parents and Guardians,

You feel it when you walk in the door at Providence Catholic High School (PCHS): a togetherness that only *family* can deliver. As articulated above, being a part of PCHS is truly something transformative.

Your tuition is an investment in your child's future. We are pleased to report that 97% of the Class of 2024 furthered their high school education at colleges and universities. They were offered more than \$47.4 million in scholarships and these positive results underscore the benefits of the financial sacrifice you make on behalf of your children. Our graduates are known throughout the Midwest for being well-rounded and prepared to succeed in the challenging academic atmosphere of colleges and universities.

Each year, our goal is to make every effort to ensure the cost to our families for a PCHS education remains manageable. We estimate next year's actual cost to educate a student at PCHS to be approximately \$21,617 per student. The gap between this cost and the amount of tuition and fees received from our families continues to increase. However, through the continued support of our families, alumni, friends, and other stakeholders who believe in our mission, we are trying to close the gap.

As a result, in consultation with the PCHS Finance Committee, we have established tuition for the 2025-2026 school year. Due to rising costs, tuition will be raised by \$350, from \$15,400 to \$15,750. Understanding and appreciating the financial commitment it takes to send your child(ren) to Providence Catholic, we work hard to keep our tuition as affordable as possible, while striving to offer the best education for your student. The discounts for multiple siblings for the 2025-2026 school year will be \$1,540 for the second child and \$3,850 for the third child.

In the coming school year, PCHS will provide more than \$3.2 million dollars to our families in scholarships, discounts, and need-based aid. This includes approximately \$2.8 million dollars in direct aid and an additional \$472,100 in discounts for families with multiple children, Catholic elementary discounts, and staff discounts. **If paying tuition is a struggle for your family, please complete the financial aid form online.**

PCHS partners with FACTS Management Company to manage our tuition payment program. Returning families will automatically be re-enrolled in the payment plan they chose this year. FACTS will send out an email in early summer when your agreement for 2025-2026 is finalized. If you have any questions, please contact our Tuition Officer, Mrs. Stephanie Murach at tuition@providencecatholic.org.

DISCOUNT OFFERED FOR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR: If you pay tuition in full by August 1, 2025, you will receive a \$250.00 discount per student. This discount applies only to tuition and is given only if you have not received any financial aid.

Parking: The campus parking fee will be \$400.00 for next year.

Activity/Technology Fee: A \$300.00 activity/technology fee is charged for each family. This fee covers accident insurance, student admission to all home games (except for state tournaments), drama and choral productions, the yearbook, the underclass retreat fee, network access and licensing for each student.

Athletic Trainer Family Fee: A \$100.00 athletic trainer fee will be charged **per family for any student who participates in athletics.**

Classroom Fees: Classroom fees depend on the courses your child is taking in the academic program. More information regarding these fees can be found on our website in the coming weeks.

Harvest Drive: The only required fundraising obligation for all PCHS families is the annual Harvest Drive. This fundraiser is an opportunity to invite others to support Catholic education. More information will be provided over the summer.

Senior Fees: There is a \$175.00 fee for all seniors to cover the cost of graduation expenses. The Kairos retreat fee is \$400.00: this fee includes three nights of food and lodging, transportation, and supplies. Kairos is held at the Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House in Barrington, IL.

Transportation: Links to the 2025-2026 transportation brochure and contract are below. All bus contracts must be received by the transportation company no later than June 15, 2025, so that students may be routed. PCHS cannot guarantee a bus route for contracts received after June 15, 2025.

Please remember that the bus contract is for one full year; once turned into us it cannot be cancelled. The bus contract deadline allows us to be better prepared to provide bus service at the beginning of the school year. We try to schedule bus pickups after 6:15 a.m., but this depends on the distance from PCHS. Please read the brochure governing the bus program and bus routes. Providence Transportation has the final authority on the time and location of bus pick-ups and drop-offs.

[Transportation Website](#)

[Transportation Brochure](#)

[Transportation Contract](#)

I look forward to continuing on an educational journey together while we grow as a community in *Truth, Unity, and Love*. Thank you for being part of our family.

Sincerely,


Fr. John Merkelis, OSA, President