



Foundation to Advance Catholic Education

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Dear Principal,

I am pleased announce that the Foundation to Advance Catholic Education (FACE) Scholarships Winter-Spring 2017-2018 application process has begun. I look forward to working with you to make the process smooth and clear for the families we serve. If a family has children in both our elementary and secondary schools, they need only submit one application and pay only one fee. **Please take note of the cost to apply. It is \$15.00 per application.**

It is imperative that things are done properly both to insure that the funds are spread as equitably as possible to those most in need and to keep the process on schedule. We expect in excess of 1,100 applicants again this year. If there are errors or things are not done properly, the applicants will suffer in the end. **Applicants are able to apply online at [www.online.factsmgt.com](http://www.online.factsmgt.com) or, if they cannot apply online, the paper applications are available and they must mail the application directly to FACTS in the envelope provided. All principals/administrators are able to check online the status of all applications that have been submitted for their particular school. It is imperative that all principals are aware of who is or is not applying. Your ID #, Username and Password have been forwarded to you by FACTS. Please make sure you have re-established your unique password for your use in accessing your school's information from the FACTS website [www.factstuitionaid.com](http://www.factstuitionaid.com). This is the same process as last year.**

As you know, those who need aid the most are often the ones who do not initiate efforts to secure the help they need. **All principals should endeavor to seek out and encourage them to apply, and yet this cannot be done if you are not aware of who has and has not applied. I was surprised to learn that there are a few principals who have not accessed the website to check on the status of applicants, unlike their colleagues who use the listing not only to monitor but to encourage parents to complete the process, especially those they know are in need of financial assistance to cover the tuition payments.** I was also surprised to learn that a large number of prior recipients do not apply. I'm sure this resulted in some of them having to leave the school due to the lack of funds, or if they stayed, the school had to "eat" some of the tuition that was no longer forthcoming from the Fund. If the principal is aware of someone who is not applying, he/she can address the issue with the parent or guardian and hopefully get them to complete the process.

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availability of these scholarships in the parish bulletins throughout the diocese. We expect this to coincide with your Open Houses and Registrations. Our instructions will be for them to contact the principal of the school in which they would like to enroll their child. **The child must be accepted and registered before they fill out an application. Only those students you know will be with you next year, including new enrollees, are eligible to apply for this scholarship aid.**

Please pay close attention to the schedule enclosed. **Completed applications are to be submitted to FACTS no later than Friday, April 7th.** You may want them turned in to you earlier (those not done online) to check them for accuracy, needed supportive documentation, i.e., W-2's, 1040's, etc. before they are sent to FACTS.

There will be a small sum of money kept in reserve for needy applicants who are **NEW ENROLLEES** to our schools (not going from one of our schools to another) but **are late applying for admission to the school, i.e., June, July and August.** Do not rely too heavily on this small reserve, as it cannot handle a large number of requests, but should help in some cases (approximately 52 new enrollees were helped from this fund this past summer). **New enrollees that are late applying for admission will have to apply for these funds specifically during the summer.** Those who applied for aid during the spring or others that were simply late applying (for whatever reason), **are not** eligible for these funds, nor are applicants who were notified they did not qualify for aid during the springtime application process. Principals should contact the Development Office in early June if they are interested in more information about this.

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions, at (508) 675-1311, or you can email me at [jcampbell@dioc-fr.org](mailto:jcampbell@dioc-fr.org).

I hope you have a blessed and successful spring semester.

Sincerely,

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