



St. Thomas More Catholic School

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Dear Parents,

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Thank you for choosing to educate your children at St. Thomas More Catholic School for the 2011-2012 school year. Providing an educational program which meets the spiritual and academic needs of our students requires great sacrifice and involvement on the part of all STM parents, parishioners, and staff members who are committed to Catholic education. The projected budget for **grades K-8** for 2011-2012 is \$1,090,000. This means that the cost to educate one child is approximately \$4995.

Projected Income:

Tuition	655,000
Fees/Other	100,000
Parish Support	270,000
Fund Raisers	65,000

Projected Expenses:

Salaries & Benefits	818,000
Books, supplies, testing, computer, etc.	125,000
Building & grounds, utilities, repairs	117,000
Other	30,000

The 2011-2012 budget includes allotments for purchasing additional **laptop computers**, updating **textbooks**, **math** assistance programs, professional staff development opportunities, and upgrading building and grounds needs. In conjunction with the parish Finance Council, the Education Commission is planning both short and long-term plans for the staffing, curricular, financial, and physical plant needs of our school.

The spiritual development of our students is our first priority, and the practice of our Catholic faith begins at home. **Attendance at mass and support of our parish is critical to the well-being of the entire STM school and parish community.** Being eligible for the parishioner tuition rate includes regular mass attendance and annual financial support. Non-parishioners and parishioners not meeting these requirements will pay the per pupil cost of \$4995.

In addition to tuition and fees, all school families will be required to work on fundraisers, participate in Manna, and sell \$100 in raffle tickets. Mrs. Powers and Mrs. Pettenuzzo will collect all tuition and fee payments in the school office. Please see payment summary below.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Thomas More Catholic School.

STM Education Commission

2011-2012 Tuition Parishioner Rate

Number of Children	Cost	Rate for 10 Monthly Installments (August 2011-May 2012)
1	\$3380	\$338.00
2	\$5940	\$594.00
3	\$7430	\$743.00
4	\$8300	\$830.00
5	\$9350	\$935.00

2011-2012 Non-Parishioner Rate \$4995 per child

2011-2012 FEES

Books/Materials	\$125 per child
Computer	100 per child
Lunchroom/Recess	25 per child
Capital Repairs	25 per child
Room Party	9 per child
PE shirt or shorts grade 5-8 – company TBA	
Milk for the year (optional)	30 per child

Mandatory Fundraising

1. Raffle tickets (required)	\$100
2. Manna participation (required or buyout)	\$125
3. Additional Fundraising – (required or buyout)	\$375