



About the Bishop's Scholarship Fund

A new fund for tuition assistance, the Bishop's Scholarship Fund will award \$1.4 annually to students and families enrolling in a diocesan sponsored Catholic school. Awards are issued on a first-come, first-served basis, so it is to a family's advantage to apply early.

Eligibility:

Students currently enrolled as well as new students applying to a Catholic elementary school for September 2015 who have demonstrated financial need are eligible to apply for tuition assistance from the Bishop's Scholarship Fund. Also, families with multiple children enrolled in our schools who may not traditionally be eligible for financial aid are a special focus of the Bishop's Scholarship Fund.

Scholarships will be awarded to elementary school students in the Spring of 2015 for the school year beginning September, 2015. High school students will be eligible to apply beginning the following school year, 2016-2017.

Application Checklist:

1. Submit your completed Registration Form or Application for Admission for the 2015-2016 school year to your local diocesan sponsored Catholic elementary school.
2. Complete a Bishop's Scholarship Fund Application available online at www.BishopScholarship.org or in print at your local school office. Mail your completed application to:
Bishop's Scholarship Fund
c/o Diocese of Bridgeport
238 Jewett Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 06606
3. Complete a FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment available at www.FACTSmgt.com. Note there is a \$30 non-refundable fee required to complete the FACTS assessment. You will need your completed 2014 Income Tax Return to fill the FACTS assessment.

The Bishop's Scholarship Fund Advisory Board will receive a confidential report from FACTS outlining your financial situation based on the information you submit in your application and supporting documents.

Applications for the Bishop's Scholarship Fund from *currently registered* student families must be received no later than May 1, 2015. Applications for the Bishop's Scholarship Fund from *new* students enrolling will be accepted through August of 2015, or until the Fund is depleted. Submitting an application does not guarantee a scholarship, and every effort will be made to accommodate student need.