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# Elyria Catholic High School

## Incoming Freshman Tuition Assistance and Scholarship Information 2019 – 2020



Committed to *excellence* and *compassion*, Elyria Catholic High School is a Christian *community* within the Catholic *tradition* that calls young men and women to embrace their *faith*, recognize their full potential and establish a life-long relationship with Jesus Christ.

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# LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your interest in Elyria Catholic High School. We are a school committed to both our Catholic faith and to academic excellence. We are also dedicated to doing our best to work with all students and their families to achieve the goal of attending a Catholic, co-ed high school that is small enough to allow your child the opportunity to be the person God intended him or her to be.

Many families make a number of sacrifices to be able to send their children to Elyria Catholic High School. Because we realize that college is in the near future for our families, we try to keep the cost of a Catholic high school education affordable. Elyria Catholic has a longstanding tradition of support from alumni, current and former parents, and members of the local community. These generous donations have provided tuition assistance and scholarship opportunities to keep tuition affordable for your family.

As we celebrate our 70th school year, we look forward to working with your family as you navigate your child's high school selection. May God bless you throughout this process.

In Christ's service,

Suzanne Lester  
Principal

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Please use the information in this booklet to assist you in the tuition assistance process. If you have questions or concerns, please contact:

- Mrs. Terry Ziegelmeyer, Director of Admissions at:  
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- Mrs. Jill Anglin, Finance Director  
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Additional information and this booklet are available on our website.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

Every family who is seeking tuition assistance must complete a *Tuition Grant & Aid Assessment Application*. We have contracted with FACTS Management to process the information that is required on the application. The financial ratings they provide are critical when distributing the funds that are available for tuition assistance.

- All students who have a **completed AND verified** application *on file* will be considered for tuition assistance.
- Families who complete an application for an incoming freshman should include the name(s) of any currently enrolled sibling(s). By doing so, the family is eligible for assistance for each student.
- The Tuition Grant & Aid Assessment application must be completed online and uploaded directly to the FACTS Management website through Elyria Catholic's website.
- Forms for all scholarships are available **both online and in the school's Main Office**.

## **PLEASE NOTE**

1. If a student is applying for multiple scholarships, applications can be submitted in **ONE** envelope.
2. Applications can be hand delivered to the school or postmarked by deadline date.

# **TUITION GRANT & AID APPLICATION DIRECTIVES**

**The Tuition Grant & Aid Assessment application must be completed online; submit the \$30 processing fee via credit card or electronic bank check.**

**DEADLINE: November 16, 2018**

## **Online-Application Process**

- Go to [www.elyriacatholic.com](http://www.elyriacatholic.com)
- Click on the “Admissions” tab; at the drop-down tab, select Tuition Grant & Aid Assessment Application.”
- On the next page, towards the middle of the paragraph, access and follow directives for the **Grant & Aid Assessment application**.

### **NOTE:**

1. Information from your **2017** 1040 Form is required.
  2. The **school code #16201**.
  3. **Make a copy of your completed Grant & Aid application;** some scholarships require it to be attached to the application.
- Forms for scholarships can be found at [elyriacatholic.com](http://elyriacatholic.com) and then clicking:
    - Admissions Tab
    - Incoming Tuition Assistance
    - Click on the name of any scholarship to access the form.

**Your chances of receiving tuition assistance are jeopardized if you are not prompt and accurate in completing and returning the Tuition Grant & Aid Assessment application.**

# DIOCESAN & ELYRIA CATHOLIC SCHOLARSHIPS

The following scholarships will be awarded based on the completion of a *Tuition Grant & Aid Assessment Application*:

## **Diocesan Tuition Assistance (DTA)**

Funded by the Diocese of Cleveland

## **Elyria Catholic Awards**

Funded by benefactors of EC

## **Student Raffle Scholarship**

Funded by Calendar Raffle ticket sales

## **Thomas Moore Scholarship**

Funded by Diocese of Cleveland

**Forms:** Copy of Tuition Grant & Aid Assessment application  
**AND M. Thomas Moore Family Scholarship form**

**Criteria:** Working to academic potential

Involvement of student in school life: extracurricular activities, and community involvement

**Requirement:** Letter per application directives.

# DONOR FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

The following scholarships are made available through the contributions of generous benefactors of Elyria Catholic High School. Please note that a Tuition Grant & Aid application **AND** a dedicated application form that is specific to the scholarship are required.

**DEADLINE**  
**November 16, 2018**

## **Band Scholarship**

Established and funded by EC Band Boosters to encourage greater involvement with Marching Band.

**Criteria:** Must be enrolled in Marching Band with a four-year commitment.

**Funds available:** (2) \$250 renewable awards

**Requirements:** Written statement  
Audition recording required

## **CHALTA Scholarship**

Established by the Cleveland High School Academy of Lay Teachers Association.

**Criteria:** Based on academic achievement, references, and reason for choosing a Catholic high school.

**Funds available:** (2) \$500 awards

**Requirements:** Written statement  
Letters of recommendation  
Copy of most recent report card

### **Mary Garton Memorial Scholarship**

Established by the Garton Family to honor the memory Mary Garton '66, a former Elyria Catholic English teacher.

**Funds available:** (4) \$1,000 awards

**Requirement:** Summary and evaluation of a favorite piece of literature

### **Denise Ratusz-Gorske Endowed Scholarship**

Established by the Gorske family in memory of Denise Ratusz-Gorske '77.

**Criteria:** Based on financial need and extracurricular involvement.

**Funds available:** (2) \$1,000 awards

**Requirement:** Essay per application directives

### **Dr. McFarland Endowed Scholarship**

Established by the family in memory of Dr. McFarland, past parent and team doctor for the EC football team.

**Criteria:** Based on financial need and extracurricular involvement

**Funds available:** (2) \$700 awards; renewable for four years.

**Requirements:** Tuition Grant & Aid Assessment application  
*AND* Dr. Robert McFarland Scholarship form.  
Essay per directives on application

**DEADLINE FOR THE FOLLOWING SCHOLARSHIP IS  
March 1, 2019**

**Rosemary Kretschmann Scholarship**

Established by the Kretschmann Family in honor of their mother who throughout her life has embodied Christian values through her faith and made sacrifices for her children's Catholic education.

**Criteria:** Available *ONLY* to an incoming freshman from St. Jude school.

**Funds available:** (2) \$500 awards

**Requirements:** At least a "C" average  
Involved in volunteer work or church service  
Essay per directives on application

**ACADEMIC PLACEMENT TEST**

The **Academic Placement Test** will yield the following four-year, renewable scholarships to the five (5) top-scoring students:

\$4,000 (1)

\$2,500 (2)

\$1,000 (2)

## LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established to honor the rich heritage and legacy of our alumni. As a gesture of “*loyalty that never dies,*” this scholarship will offer a four-year renewable award valued at **\$500** to any student who has at least **one parent who is an alumni** of EC.

**Form:** Legacy Scholarship Form

### *Please note*

A Tuition Grant & Aid Assessment application or proof of financial need is **NOT** required for this award.

## ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Check with your local parish organizations, such as The Holy Name Society, Altar and Rosary Society, Parent Associations, and sports committees to see if they have scholarship monies available.
- Check with your local civic or private organizations such as Knights of Columbus, Polish Club, Elks, Rotary, etc., to see if they have any scholarship opportunities.