
Elyria Catholic High School

Incoming Freshman Tuition Assistance and Scholarship Information 2022-2023



At Elyria Catholic High School, our mission is to empower young men and women to identify and use their God-given gifts to learn, worship, and serve within the Catholic tradition.

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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, coed 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. Because we realize that college is in the near future for our families, we work hard to keep the cost of a Catholic high school education affordable. Tuition for the 2021-2022 school year is \$8,900, and tuition for the 2022-2023 school year will be set early next year. Elyria Catholic has a longstanding tradition of support from alumni, current and former parents, and members of the local community. Their generous donations have provided tuition assistance and scholarship opportunities to keep tuition affordable for your family.

I look forward to getting to know your family throughout the admissions process.

In Christ's service,

Suzanne Lester
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Every family who is seeking tuition assistance must complete a FACTS Grant & Aid application. We have contracted with FACTS Management to process the information that is required on the application, and 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 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 FACTS Grant & Aid 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 our school's Main Office.

Please note:

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

FACTS GRANT & AID APPLICATION DIRECTIVES

The FACTS Grant & Aid application must be completed online; the \$35 processing fee is to be paid online via credit card or electronic bank check.

**DEADLINE: November 15, 2021
(for December review and aid decision notification)**

Online Application Process:

- Go to www.elyriacatholic.com.
- Click on the “Admissions” tab; at the drop-down tab, select “Financial Aid Application” and then click on the bold “FACTS Grant & Aid Application” link.

Note:

1. Information from your **2020** 1040 Form is required. Please note that if you apply after March 1st, information from your 2021 taxes is required.
 2. The school code for Elyria Catholic is #16201.
 3. We recommend that you make a copy of your completed application; some scholarships require that a copy be attached to the scholarship application.
- Forms for scholarships can be found at elyriacatholic.com and then by clicking on the following: Admissions/Financial Aid Tab/Incoming Freshman Scholarships. Click on the name of any bolded scholarship to access and print the form.

Your chances of receiving tuition assistance are jeopardized if you are not prompt and accurate in completing and submitting the FACTS Grant & Aid application.

DIOCESAN & ELYRIA CATHOLIC SCHOLARSHIPS

The following scholarships will be awarded based on the completion of a FACTS Grant & Aid application:

Diocesan Tuition Assistance (DTA)

Funded by the Diocese of Cleveland

Elyria Catholic Awards

Funded by benefactors of Elyria Catholic and Cash Raffle ticket sales.

M. Thomas Moore Scholarship

Funded by the Diocese of Cleveland

Forms: A copy of the completed FACTS Grant & Aid application and the M. Thomas Moore Family Scholarship form are needed.

Criteria: Applicants should show evidence that they are working to their academic potential and that they are involved in school, including extracurricular activities, and are involved in their local community.

Requirement: A letter following application directives is required.

Note: This scholarship has a March, 2022 deadline.

DONOR FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

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

The deadline for applying for these scholarships is November 15, 2021.

Alumni Band Scholarship

This scholarship was established and funded by Mr. Robert O'Donnell '81 and alumni band members to encourage greater involvement with Marching Band.

Criteria: Student must participate in Marching Band with a four-year commitment and demonstrate financial need.

Funds available: (1) \$250 renewable award

Requirements: Students will submit a written statement, and an audition recording will be required.

Band Scholarship

This scholarship was established and funded by the EC Band Boosters to encourage greater involvement with Marching Band.

Criteria: Applicant must participate in Marching Band with a four-year commitment.

Funds available: (2) \$250 renewable awards

Requirements: Students will submit a written statement, and an audition recording will be required. Both the student and parent/legal guardian volunteer commit to helping at the annual Craft Show and other major band fundraisers.

DONOR FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

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The deadline for applying for these scholarships is November 15, 2021.

CHALTA Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Cleveland High School Academy of Lay Teachers Association.

Criteria: Students are considered for this scholarship based on their academic achievement, references, and their reason for choosing a Catholic high school.

Funds available: (2) \$500 awards

Requirements: Students need to submit a written statement. In addition, letters of recommendation and a copy of the student's most recent report card are required.

Gandolfo Family Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Gandolfo family in memory of their parents, Bob and Elaine Gandolfo.

Criteria: This scholarship is based on financial need and extracurricular involvement.

Funds available: (1) \$1,100 award

Requirement: Students must complete an essay per application directives and meet minimum GPA requirements.

Note: This scholarship is renewable for all four years providing qualifying criteria are met.

DONOR FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

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The deadline for applying for these scholarships is November 15, 2021.

Mary Garton Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Garton Family to honor the memory of Mary Garton ('66), a former Elyria Catholic English teacher.

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

Requirement: Students need to complete a summary and evaluation of a favorite piece of literature.

Denise Ratusz-Gorske Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Gorske family in memory of Denise Ratusz-Gorske ('77).

Criteria: This scholarship is based on financial need and extracurricular involvement.

Funds available: (2) \$1,400 awards

Requirement: Students must complete an essay per application directives.

SCHOLARSHIPS (Continued)

Rosemary Kretschmann Scholarship

This was established by the Kretschmann family in honor of their mother who throughout her life embodied Christian values through her faith and made sacrifices for her children's Catholic education.

Criteria: Student must maintain "C" average and be involved in volunteer work or church service.

Funds available: (1) \$500 award

Requirements: Candidates must have at least a "C" average, be involved in volunteer work or church service and are required to submit an essay per directives on the application.

Note: This scholarship is renewable for all four years providing qualifying criteria are met.

Academic Placement Test Scholarship

The Academic Placement Test will yield the following four-year, renewable scholarships.

Students having the following Composite National Percentile scores may receive one of the following renewable scholarships:

98 - 99	\$3,000
95 - 97	\$2,000
90 - 94	\$1,000
85 - 89	\$ 500

This is based on the high school placement test taken at Elyria Catholic on either 10/23/21 or 11/06/21. Test results from other high schools will be accepted but must be received by 12/1/21. The FACTS Grant & Aid application or proof of financial need is not required for this scholarship.

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 per year to any student who has at least one parent who is an alumni of Elyria Catholic High School.

Form: Legacy Scholarship Form

Note: The FACTS Grant & Aid application or proof of financial need is not required for this award.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

We recommend that you 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 funds available.

In addition, families should check with their local civic or private organizations such as the Knights of Columbus, Polish Club, Elks, or Rotary Club to see if they have any high school scholarship opportunities.

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:

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Additional information and this booklet are available on our website.

ADMISSION POLICY:

Elyria Catholic High School admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.