

JUST TUITION

St. Peter Catholic School has implemented a **just tuition** model for kindergarten through 8th grade students in order to ensure that Catholic education is accessible for all families. We strongly encourage all families to explore this option - no child will be denied a Catholic education due to finances.

Overview:

Just tuition is rooted in Catholic social teaching and the Christian concept of tithing. As applied to St. Peter Catholic School, this means:

- The enrollment financial commitment is calculated based on 5% of the family's adjusted gross income. For families with more than one student enrolled, the financial commitment is capped at 7% of the family's adjusted gross income.
- Adjusted gross income can be determined based on prior year's federal income tax return. If that is not available, the school will work with families on a suitable alternative.

- Examples:

One K5-8th grade child at St. Peter Catholic School:

Tax return adjusted gross income (Form 1040, line 11; Form 1040EZ, line 4) = \$50,000

Just tuition calculated as 5% for one student = \$2500

Enrollment financial commitment = \$2500 (\$250/month)

Three K5-8th grade children at St. Peter Catholic School:

Tax return adjusted gross income (Form 1040, line 11; Form 1040EZ, line 4) = \$50,000

Just tuition calculated at max 7% for multiple students = \$3500

Enrollment financial commitment = \$3500 (\$350/month)

- Pre-K families must, and families with K5-8th grade students may, opt for our traditional tuition structure. That is currently:

Pre-K (ages 3 and 4)

	10-month Payment Plan (Aug – May)	5% discount if Paid in Full by Aug 15 th	Annual
Half Day Preschool	\$290	\$2755	\$2900
Full Day Preschool	\$495	\$4703	\$4950

Kindergarten (K5) through 8th grade

	10-month Payment Plan (Aug – May)	5% discount if Paid in Full by Aug 15 th	Annual
Tuition	\$375	\$3563	\$3750

- Other support for families needing financial assistance for pre-K enrollment are available. Please inquire in the school office.

Process:

We are fully committed to working with you to ensure your children can receive a Catholic education. While raising children necessarily requires sacrifice on the part of parents, it need not be a hardship and we are here to help. The process for determining your just tuition is designed to be simple and friendly. The steps include:

1. Complete the just tuition forms. We have staff able to help you do so if you would like assistance.
2. Meet with the pastor and school representative to review your application and discuss your family's unique needs.
3. Receive a proposed Enrollment Financial Agreement.
4. Accept the just tuition terms and enroll your child at St. Peter Catholic School!

FAQs:

Q: Is my information kept private?

A: Rest assured that all financial arrangements and information submitted are kept in the strictest of confidence.

Q: What if my financial circumstances change?

A: Enrollment Financial Agreements are reviewed and reevaluated prior to each school year. If your circumstances change mid-year, we will work with you to make any necessary adjustments.

Q: Why isn't the just tuition structure available for preschool students?

A: There are other resources available for preschool aged children, including Employment Related Day Care benefits.