

Tuition costs for 2017 2018: For children in **full day kindergarten through grade 8** whose parents are REGISTERED and CONTRIBUTING parishioners of St. Henry or St. Bernard costs are as follows:
first child - \$2200 a year, second child - \$1700 a year, third child - \$1300 a year, each additional child – free.

It is the desire of the Education Commission of Watertown Catholic School that no members of the parish be unable to send their children to St. Henry or St. Bernard School because of financial inability to pay full tuition costs. **Aid is available for parents who qualify.** Please indicate whether or not you would like a financial aid application.

- ___ At this point, I see no problem in meeting the financial obligations mentioned above.
- ___ I do foresee problems meeting the tuition costs. Please see that I receive a financial aid application.

The Four-Year-Old Kindergarten (Preschool) Program is offered in partnership with the Watertown Public School District. The only charge has been a \$20.00 registration fee, payable to the public school. Registration for that program is done at the Educational Service Center at 111 Dodge Street ~ just off S. First Street. Call 262-1460. A Friday morning parish-sponsored religious-themed class is also offered at the cost of \$150.00 per semester.

Tuition must be paid in full for the upcoming year by July 31st or on a twelve-month basis from July through June. For those who choose the monthly option there is an additional \$45 a year per family fee to cover the enrollment costs for this program. **There are no book bills or registration fees.** For parents of children in 5K-8 there are two other requirements. There is a \$50 Home and School Association fee due on or before the first week of school. 5K-8 parents are also required to give a minimum of fifteen service hours per family per year to the school and/or parish, or they are charged an additional \$10 per un-served hour in tuition. All this is explained in the parent contract.

Parishioners, please understand it is imperative and an expectation that you give to the parish directly as well. The actual cost of educating each student is well over \$4000 a year. The parish, as a whole, is obviously bearing the brunt of this cost. Parish donations are tax deductible. Donations directly to Watertown Catholic School over and above tuition are also tax deductible and greatly appreciated.

Children new to Watertown Catholic School are accepted on a **three-month probationary period** to ascertain whether Watertown Catholic School can adequately meet the educational needs of the student.

The Watertown Catholic School Family Handbook, along with information sent home in the weekly envelope or available online at www.watertowncatholic.org, will be your main sources of information. We also encourage you to attend meetings of various school-based organizations throughout the year and any parent-teacher conferences. Please contact the school staff whenever you have any questions or concerns.

Do you wish your child to receive the Sacraments of the Roman Catholic Church ordinarily offered to children in our parish? Yes _____ No _____
(If yes is checked for a child whose parents are both non-Catholic, further discussion will be necessary with the pastor of the parish.)

In order to participate in the sacramental programs of Eucharist (Communion) and Reconciliation (Confession), it is necessary that we SEE an **official document of Baptism**. Please bring one to the school office within a few weeks. It will be returned to you immediately. **However, if the baptism took place at either St. Henry or St. Bernard, check here** _____. (In that case, you will not be required to bring a copy of it in.)

The Watertown Catholic School office personnel will fill out the following information:
Baptismal Date _____ Name of Church _____
Address _____ Denomination _____