

Bishop Baraga Catholic School

The Place to Grow

623 W. Lincoln Avenue, Cheboygan – (231) 627-5608

www.bishopbaraga.com

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the cost to send a child to Bishop Baraga School?

A trip to Disney World is comparable to tuition. If you are a member of one of our supporting parishes (St. Mary's / St. Charles, Sacred Heart and St. Clement's), tuition for the first child is \$2,350* with each additional child 10% less. For non-parishioners, tuition for the first child is \$3,050* with each additional child 10% less. There is also a \$35 registration fee for each child and a \$25 technology fee per family for children K-6.

What financial assistance is available to help with tuition?

We offer tuition assistance for grades K-6 through our Scholarship Fund. We use the FACTS Grant & Aid Application System to process our financial aid applications. All applications and supporting financial documents, along with a \$25 application fee, are sent directly to FACTS. This ensures a fair and professional review of every applicant. Any family may apply, regardless of religious affiliation.

Are only Catholics attending this school?

No. We welcome students of all faiths. We have many families that have non-Catholic students enrolled in Bishop Baraga. We understand that parents, regardless of their faith, want to offer their children a high-quality education that also focuses on raising respectful children with strong values.

Is there a dress code?

Yes. The school uniform is worn every day in grades K-6 unless a special “dress-down day” or “color day” is designated. To help defray the cost of uniforms, our parents have developed an informal “Uniform Exchange.” Parents bring in school clothes their children have outgrown but are still in good condition. Families can “shop” for uniforms from the clothes other parents have donated.

Is there bus service?

Students may use the public school bus system to travel to and from school. Information about bus routes and schedules is available through the Cheboygan Area Schools Transportation Department (231) 627-4422. School cancellation information can be found on TV, Channel 9 & 10 and 7 & 4 News. Families with email receive a message by email from the principal saying school is cancelled.

What are the beginning and end times for the school day?

Students may be dropped off at the front doors at the earliest time of 7:30 a.m. School begins at 8:10 a.m. and ends with the 3:15 p.m. dismissal bell.

How many students are in a classroom?

The average number of students per class is 17.

How does the hot lunch program work and is milk included?

Hot lunch is served four days of the week with pizza being available on Fridays. White or chocolate milk is purchased separately.

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What are your extracurricular programs?

- After School Tutoring
- Archery
- Band & Recorders
- Battle of the Books
- Buzz Club
- Chess Club
- Children's Choir
- Cooking Club
- Cribbage Club
- El Club de Espanol
- LEGO Robotics
- Rosary Club
- Running Club
- Ski Club
- Student Council

How does the Preschool Program Work?

3 Year-old Program:

- Tuesday and Thursday from 8:10 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Must be 3 years old by September 1, 2014.
- Must be toilet-trained.

4 Year-old Program:

- Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 8:10 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- If the morning session is full an afternoon program may be opened.
- Must be 4 years old by September 1, 2014.

Tuition is \$700 for the three-year-old program and \$900 for the four-year-old program. A certified teacher and aide are with the children during their class time. Preschool children are not required to wear uniforms. While not required, our preschool families are welcome to participate in our volunteer commitment, if they wish.