



DIOCESE *of* GAYLORD

BISHOP'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Revised: 2/28/2023

Overview

The establishment of the \$3,000,000 Bishop's Scholarship Fund in February 2022 was a great blessing to the schools of the Diocese of Gaylord.

The purpose and intent of the fund is: *to provide financial support and assistance to Diocesan Catholic schools for kindergarten through high school students attending Catholic diocesan schools in the Diocese of Gaylord, with emphasis on elementary schools.* (Fund Agreement, 2022)

Process For Distribution

Distribution from the fund will be allocated per student based on the preceding years final K-12 enrollment report.

Schools will be required to use an outside management system that verifies the need level of the families such as FACTS. (If a school does not use FACTS, the Free or Reduced Lunch status can be used to determine need.)

Schools will have the discretion to award scholarships in the amount of \$500, \$750, or \$1000 to qualifying families. (A qualifying family is one that demonstrates at least \$750 of financial need or qualify for Free or Reduced lunch. More than one student from the same family can receive a scholarship as long as the amount does not exceed the need.)

Schools will provide a list of recipients to the Diocese.

Example

In the 2022/23 academic school year, the distribution amount of \$120,000 was divided per student among our 16 schools. The ending K-12 student enrollment from the preceding school year (2021/22 – 2,449) was used to determine disbursement and amounted to \$49.00 per student.

For instance, St. Mary Cathedral School, Gaylord, with an ending enrollment of 263 students received \$12,887.00 to be used for scholarships in the 2022/23 school year. This provided between 12 and 25 "Bishop's Scholarships" depending on the decisions of the local school.

Summation

The Catholic Schools Office is extremely grateful to the Diocese for this new source of funds for students from needy families allowing them to participate in an education focused and founded on Christ and His Church. This fund is intended to provide scholarships for parishioners of Catholic Churches in the Diocese.

2024/25 Diocese of Gaylord Bishop's Scholarship



Student Information

Students Name: _____ Male or Female: _____
Date of Birth: _____ School Currently Attending: _____
Age: _____ Grade Entering 2024/25 School Year: _____

Parent Information

Parent's Names: _____
Address: _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____

General Information

Church Affiliated with: _____ Envelope #: _____

List of Activities Involved with in Parish:

Parent's Signature:

Date:

**ALL APPLICATIONS AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO
THE BISHOP BARAGA CATHOLIC SCHOOL OFFICE BY JUNE 30TH 2024.**

Mission Statement

~ To provide the highest quality Catholic school education with a
commitment to academic excellence and to support families with the
spiritual development of their children. ~