## **Cardinal Hickey Academy Tuition Rates 2024-2025**

APPLICATIONS TO THE SCHOOL ARE MADE BY REGISTERING ON TADS.COM.

	Montessori Preschool – Half Day	Full Day Montessori Preschool & Kindergarten – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
5 days/week	\$7,500	\$11,190

Average tuition paid per student 2023-2024 = \$8,828.41. 85% of students received discounts, grants, and/or tuition assistance in the 2023-2024 school year.

#### **REGISTRATION FEE** (non-refundable)

\$250 for the first student; \$100 for each additional student up to family maximum of \$550 The registration fee is non-refundable, is due at the time of enrollment/re-enrollment, and must be received by February 10, 2024 to hold your child's space for the 2024–2025 school year.

#### LATE REGISTRATION FEE FOR CURRENT STUDENTS

After March 1, 2024 a late fee of \$200 per student will be assessed.

**Supply Fee Graduation Fee** Science Fee  $PK - 5^{th} grade = $50$ Grades  $5^{th} - 8^{th} = $50$  $8^{th}$  grade only = \$100 All fees are added to the family TADS account and are not refundable.

#### **GRANTS AVAILABLE**

#### **ACTIVE CATHOLIC PARISHIONER GRANT (ACPG)**

(\$1,230 full-day, \$825 half-day)

To qualify, a family must be registered in a Catholic parish, actively participate in the life of the Church, attend regular weekend Mass as taught by the church, and financially support the parish by making regular contributions using the offertory envelopes or electronic fund transfers. Children must be baptized and raised in the Catholic faith. The ACPG application can be found at www.cardinalhickeyacademy.org/tuition-financial-aid and on TADS.com and is due to your pastor by March 1, 2024. Pastor approval is required to receive this grant.

#### **MULTI-STUDENT GRANT**

A multi-student grant is automatically given for families enrolling multiple children in our full-day program. No application is required. (Grants are as follows: 2nd child=\$560, 3rd child=\$1,120, 4th child=\$1,680)

## **TUITION ASSISTANCE INFORMATION**

It is our intent that CHA remains affordable for all families who wish to give their children a Catholic education; however, aid is limited. Awards are needs based and for partial tuition only.

#### ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON (ADW) TUITION ASSISTANCE

All tuition assistance starts with the ADW application, which is available by logging into your account on TADS.com. Applications are available beginning in October and are due mid-February. Award notifications go out in late April. Be sure to include all required documentation!

#### **REGIONAL TUITION ASSISTANCE (RTA)**

Funds may be available to applicants who prove need via the ADW application. The RTA Application is due to your pastor by March 1, 2024, no exceptions, and can be found at www.cardinalhickeyacademy.org/tuition-financial-aid. Families must be active, contributing parishioners. The RTA Fund comes from the parishes' offertories. Your regular support of your parish's offertory supports the parish's contributions to this Fund.

#### **BOOST**

#### (Broadening Options & Opportunities for Students Today)

The BOOST program is through the State of Maryland and awards tuition assistance for K-8 students based on household income, with the lowest income families served first. Applications are submitted via the website: <a href="http://marylandpublicschools.org/pages/boost/index.aspx">http://marylandpublicschools.org/pages/boost/index.aspx</a> Parents must provide proof of registration at CHA and proof of income. The deadline has not been announced but is usually in April.

#### MONSIGNOR DUDZIAK ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Limited funds are available for tuition assistance. Eligible students must live in Calvert County, participate in service opportunities outside of school, and have proven need on the ADW Tuition Assistance application.

#### LYNN LEAF SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Limited funds are available to one currently enrolled fourth grader entering fifth grade. The student must demonstrate an interest in the Arts and Language Arts, have exemplary behavior, and the family must demonstrate financial need via the ADW Application.

#### **FAMILY REFERRAL PROGRAM**

Current families can earn \$1,000 tuition credit if they refer a new family who then attends CHA for the entire school year. The new family also receives a \$250 tuition credit. This form is in the office and on the CHA website.

#### **Cost to Educate**

The cost to educate a student at Cardinal Hickey Academy is determined by the total budgeted expenses for the academic year divided by the budgeted enrollment.

The difference is made up through our fundraising efforts.

The budgeted cost to educate per student for the school year 2024 – 2025 is \$11,215.

#### **SERVICE HOURS**

All enrolled families are required to complete 20 service hours each school year. Unfulfilled service hours will be billed on TADS in May at a rate of \$30 per hour. Families may opt-out of the service-hour obligation for \$600.

#### **RAISE RIGHT PROGRAM**

All families are required to participate in our Raise Right gift card fundraising program.

Families must purchase enough gift cards to generate \$200 in revenue for CHA.

Percentages of revenue differ by card/store. Families may opt-out of the obligation for \$200.

#### **TUITION PAYMENTS**

Tuition may be paid in one payment (July), four payments (July, October, January, and April), or ten payments (July through April). All payments can be made by automatic debit or credit card via TADS. TADS charges a transaction fee for the use of a credit card but not automatic debit. A setup fee is charged for recurring payment accounts (4 or 10 payments). Payments are due on the 10th of each month. A fee may be charged if the tuition payment is late. TADS will charge a \$50 fee for each returned payment.

**NOTE:** The school reserves the right to cancel the registration of any student whose family fails to meet tuition payments during the preceding semester. The school reserves the right to withhold a student's records and report card when a family fails to meet tuition payments.

#### WITHDRAWALS

**Withdrawal from School before August 15th**: Due to financial obligations and agreements with our teachers, the school must be notified in writing before August 15th if your child is not returning for the 2024–2025 school year. July & August tuition payments are non-refundable. Withdrawals by this date are obligated to pay the July & August tuition but no other charges will be incurred.

Withdrawal from School after August 15th but before 2nd Quarter: Withdrawals during this timeframe require the 1st quarter's tuition to be paid in full.

Withdrawals beginning 2nd Quarter and forward: The full school year's tuition is expected to be paid.

Military transfers, as the law requires, receive a full, pro-rated refund.

Any refund requests require at least 5 business days to process. TADS charges a \$5 fee for refunds.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF LATE/NON-PAYMENT POLICY**

It is crucial that tuition payments be made promptly every month.

If two full monthly payments of tuition are not paid, received and credited by TADS by August 20<sup>th</sup> for any student, that student will forfeit his or her spot at the Academy, and the Principal will have the right, at her discretion, to fill the position with another child or request that the child not attend until payments are made current.

Accounts are considered delinquent after 30 days. Students will not be permitted back to school if tuition is in arrears, and parents have not contacted the pastor/principal. This policy will be strictly enforced and late fees will be applied directly through TADS. CHA reserves the right to cancel the registration of any student(s) whose family fails to satisfactorily meet its tuition or fees obligation. Student report cards, field trip participation, results of standardized testing and/or transfer information will not be sent or completed until all past due balances are paid. An 8th grade student may not be allowed to participate in graduation activities.

The Academy reserves the right to require that tuition payments be made in full in advance of allowing a student to begin a new quarter's or semester's work.

The Academy reserves the right to deny admission to a student should tuition payments become delinquent or the academic year ends with tuition or other financial obligations unmet.

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