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March 12, 2024

Dear Parents,

St. Patrick School has opened enrollment for the 2024-25 school year. We use a continuous enrollment process which has two components: 1) for new families: sign a registration contract and terms of service, and 2) for returning families: complete your annual enrollment into tuition management; both steps are online with Finalsite.

For new families, to begin the enrollment process, please visit portlandstpats.com, click Enrollment Information for the appropriate grade level from the homepage, click Apply Now, follow the prompts to create an account in Finalsite, and complete an application.

For returning families, please login to Finalsite and complete the necessary steps for each of your children by **May 1**. **Instructions and links can be found at the bottom of this email.** If the grade is incorrect for your preschool or kindergarten student, please notify Mrs. Kinsman. Also, if you have any changes to your phone numbers, address, emergency contacts, or other contact information at any time during the school year, please email/contact the school office so your records can be updated.

If you are awarded financial aid, your account will be adjusted accordingly once the information is available. If you applied for aid you may see the diocesan scholarship already applied to your account (if you were in the early rounds of review); however, local scholarships from the parish and school have not been reviewed yet and will be applied once they are available.

The non-refundable \$50/student registration fee, \$100/family technology fee, and \$38/family Finalsite payment plan fee (for anyone not paying in full) will be due when you enroll into tuition management. The registration fee helps defer the administrative cost related to the continuous enrollment of each student in addition to the cost of Infinite Campus Student Management. The technology fee assists with IT services and our KG-12 1:1 Chromebook program.

We want to make sure you are aware that the *total* cost to educate a student at St. Patrick School is NOT the billed tuition amount. The *total* cost to educate students in grades KG-8 is \$6,030 and a student in grades 9-12 is \$8,410 for the 2024-25 school year. The table below shows the amount that will be charged per student (again, you are **not** charged the *total* cost). We are appreciative of St. Patrick Parish, who provides the school with support from the offertory, the School Board Finance Subcommittee, the Parish Finance Council, our Advancement and Development team, the Father Flohe Foundation, the Former Pastor

Shamrock Endowment Fund, and the Diocese of Grand Rapids for their annual support of our parish school. Through the collaborative efforts of these groups, our parish and school administration are working hard to ensure our school is run efficiently and our programs are adequately funded. St. Patrick School will continue to do all that we can to keep tuition costs stable.

We are mindful of the immense financial sacrifices required to provide your child(ren) with a faith-based education and we are grateful for your commitment to St. Patrick School. This year's tuition rates allow us to maintain and improve the quality of all our course offerings and programs. It also allows us to give our school staff a salary increase as a token of our appreciation for their dedication to your children.

The 2024-25 tuition rates for students attending St. Patrick School are as follows:

Grade	1st Child	2nd Child	3rd Child	4th Child
9-12	\$5,950	\$5,010	\$4,150	\$3,250
K-8	\$5,240	\$4,350	\$3,445	\$2,435
Preschool 5-day \$2,865	Preschool 3-day \$1,995		Preschool 2-day \$1,490	

The before and after school childcare program is available for students in grades KG-5. Please inquire with the office for rates.

The daycare operates in conjunction with the preschool for 3 and 4 year old children. Enrollment preference is given to students enrolled in SPS preschool. We also provide daycare for infants/toddlers. Please inquire for rates.

- Any children in the same family (grades KG-12), enrolled at the same time, past the 4th child will attend St. Patrick School at no charge except the non-refundable \$50/student registration fee.
- Each preschool student will be charged the same per-child rate.

Please note that if you are **not** enrolling your child(ren) at St. Patrick School for the upcoming school year, your family will need to complete the Intent to Withdraw form which can be found in your Finalsite student checklist. If you fail to notify the school about unenrolling a child by June 1, 2024, your Finalsite billing account may be billed for the upcoming school year.

Thank you for your commitment to St. Patrick Catholic School. Please feel free to contact us by email at randyhodge@portlandstpats.org or cortneysmith@portlandstpats.org, or by calling the school office at (517) 647-7551 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Deacon Randy Hodge High School Principal **Cortney Smith** 

**PS-8 School Principal**