



## **DIOCESE OF TOLEDO CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT “ONE FAITH...MANY BLESSINGS”**

### **BACKGROUND**

The “One Faith...Many Blessings” campaign continues to generate important financial support for our diocese. A significant part of the campaign has been designated for **Catholic School Support**.

Specifically, two endowments have been established: one is a “Teacher Assistance Endowment”, the other is a “Tuition Assistance Endowment.” These two endowments are set up as follows:

#### **1. Teacher Assistance Endowment:**

The interest income from this endowment will be used in two ways:

- Scholarships for Catholic school educators: This fund provides grants for teachers and administrators currently in a Masters Degree program. A total of \$45,000 is available for 2010-11.
- Tuition assistance for children of Catholic school educators: This fund provides need-based tuition assistance for educators employed by a Catholic school in the Diocese of Toledo who send their own children to a Catholic school (K-12). A total of \$45,000 is available for 2010-11.

#### **2. Tuition Assistance Endowment:**

The interest income from this endowment fund will benefit families who send their children to our Catholic elementary schools and high schools (K-12). By providing students with need-based financial aid, this fund will enable our Catholic schools remain accessible to all of our families. A total of \$90,000 is available for 2010-11.

As with all endowments, a commitment was made to use only the interest generated and not to touch the principal. Since pledges to “One Faith...Many Blessings” were paid

over a period of three to five years, the interest earned was not significant in the early years. Therefore, in 2003 a decision was made to begin the “Catholic School Support” effort with the Scholarships for Catholic School Educators (cf. #1 above). Based on the number of educators in Catholic schools, each geographic region of our diocese has been provided with funding to assist teachers and administrators working on a Masters Degree program. Since the 2003/04 school year, over 300 educators from all over the diocese have been awarded over \$180,000. The other part of the “Teacher Assistance Endowment” provides need-based tuition assistance for Catholic school educators who have a difficult time affording Catholic school (K-12) tuition for their own children. These grants will be applied to the 2010-11 tuition at any of the Catholic elementary or high schools in the Diocese of Toledo.

The other endowment, “Tuition Assistance Endowment” (cf. #2 above), is designated for need-based financial aid for all qualifying families sending their children to Catholic elementary schools and high schools (K-12). In order to help families in all parts of the diocese, financial aid is distributed in six geographic regions based on the total number of students in each region. Parents must complete application forms that will be verified by the school.

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Distribution of financial assistance from both endowments will be based on similar procedures as indicated below. In all cases, the funds will be equitably distributed in six geographic regions of the diocese:

#### **Teacher Assistance Endowment Grants:**

- a) Grants for Catholic school educators working on a Masters Degree program: Teachers and administrators complete an application form. The application form will be posted on the CYSS web page: [www.cyss.org](http://www.cyss.org) as of March 1, 2010. These grants are available for up to \$1,000 for a graduate level course. A total of \$45,000 will be awarded for the 2010/11 school year. The application window for the 2010/11 school year is from March 1 through May 3, 2010.
- b) Grants for children of Catholic school teachers and administrators who attend a Catholic elementary or high school (K-12): These applications will be available beginning on March 1, 2010 on the CYSS web site: [www.cyss.org](http://www.cyss.org). The application sheet is to be filled out by the educator and sent to CYSS (address is on the application sheet) by May 14, 2010. A verification sheet, to be completed by the student’s school, will be due to CYSS by May 21, 2010. Each grant will be for \$700 and will be credited to the 2010/11 tuition. A total of \$45,000 is available for 2010/11. Note: grants are not automatically renewed. Application must be made each year.

**Tuition Assistance Endowment Grants:**

- a) Grants for students who attend a Catholic elementary or high school (K-12): These applications will be available beginning on March 1, 2010 on the CYSS web site: [www.cyss.org](http://www.cyss.org). The application sheet is to be filled out by the parents/guardians and sent to CYSS (address is on the application sheet) by May 14, 2010. A verification sheet, to be completed by the student's school (as of the 2010-11 school year), will be due to CYSS by May 21, 2010. Each grant will be for \$700 and will be credited to the 2010/11 tuition. A total of \$90,000 is available for 2010/11. Note: grants are not automatically renewed. Application must be made each year.
- b) Teachers and administrators who apply but are not chosen for the "teacher assistance endowment grants," (see "b" above), may qualify for this grant.

**PROCEDURES AND STIPULATIONS FOR ALL THE ABOVE GRANTS:**

1. Qualified applicants for tuition grants must be entering grades K-12 for the 2010-11 school year in a Catholic school in the Diocese of Toledo.
2. Applicants must complete the application form by the deadline indicated on the application sheet.
3. The student's school must complete a "Verification Sheet" for each application submitted.
4. All grants are based on financial need. Other financial assistance from the school or outside sources will be a factor in determining financial need.
5. Grant selections will be made by Catholic Youth and School Services and the Diocesan Development Office. All financial information and verification sheets completed by the school will be kept strictly confidential.
6. Grants are not automatically renewable, but applicants may reapply each school year.
7. Distribution of grants will be made by geographic region. (See below.) The "Teacher Assistance" grants will be based on the number of Catholic school educators in each geographic region of the diocese. The "Tuition Assistance" grants will be based on the total number of students in Catholic schools in each geographic region of the diocese.
8. If the number of qualified applications for a given region is higher than the number allocated below, a lottery method will be used for applicants from that region.

**“ONE FAITH...MANY BLESSINGS” SCHOLARSHIPS**

Educator Assistance Grants

<u>Region</u>	<u>Pro. Dev. Grants \$1,000 each</u>	<u>Educator Tuition Grants \$700 each</u>
Metro-Toledo	22	32
Central	6	9
Northeast	4	7
Northwest	3	4
Southeast	4	5
Southwest	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>
TOTALS:	45	65

Parent Tuition Assistance Grants

<u>Region</u>	<u>Parent Tuition Grants \$700 each</u>
Metro-Toledo	70
Central	18
Northeast	13
Northwest	4
Southeast	8
Southwest	<u>17</u>
TOTALS:	130