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Dear Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School Parents and Guardians,

As we begin our re-enrollment process for the next school year, tuition and fees have been a topic of discussion. Fr. Bob and I recognize that the difficult economy has had an impact on many of our school families. We believe that an increase in tuition would negatively impact our school families, and therefore we will **not** be increasing our tuition rates for the 2026– 2027 school year. We will continue to post our tuition, according to the requirements of the Archdiocese of Washington's Catholic Schools Office. The tuition rate for the 2025-2026 school year will remain \$8400. The Catholic Active Parishioner's Grant (CAP Grant) will continue to be \$1200 per student. Each Catholic family will need to complete the Grant application and have it approved and signed by their Pastor in order to receive the Grant. The Administration Fee will remain the same at \$200 per child (max \$400 per family) and will be due with the signing of the tuition contract. Families must keep in mind that the actual cost to educate a student (approximately \$11,500 annually) is much greater than the tuition charged. We rely on support from our very generous parishes, Our Lady Star of the Sea and St. John Vianney, as well as support from our HSA, and other advancement efforts each year. Additionally, it is vital for families to complete their **required** financial obligation of (40) volunteer hours and to participate in the life of the school as much as possible. Families are also encouraged to take advantage of the additional financial assistance and scholarships available by applying annually with the Archdiocese of Washington's Tuition Assistance Program at <https://adwcatholicalschools.org/tuition-assistance/> and the Maryland BOOST scholarship at <https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/Pages/boost/index.aspx> Parents and guardians are **required** to apply for **both** assistance opportunities before further OLSS tuition assistance will be considered. Please be aware of deadlines. Our continued goal is to provide the highest quality, affordable, faith-based education for your child. If you have any questions regarding financial assistance and/or tuition programs, please feel free to contact the school office.

Grace and Peace,

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