



St. Helena Catholic School

Dear Families,

This week Fr. Daly and the Principal Search Committee began interviewing candidates for the principal position for next year and hopefully for many years to come. I ask for your prayers as we proceed with this important undertaking.

Upon returning to Saint Helena I am reminded of what is central to a great Catholic education. In a world that is sometimes hard to understand, a Catholic school provides an environment that is conducive to excellence in education, the formation of conscience, and the development of the whole child. It is a world of order, discipline, and learning all interwoven into our Catholic faith and tradition with the goal of becoming saints in imitation of Jesus. While our children are not perfect, they do understand the difference between right and wrong. It is this formation that will guide them for the rest of their lives.

The actual cost to educate a child at Saint Helena is \$8,191. Every child's tuition is being heavily subsidized by the parish, school, and outside funders before any financial aid is even determined. The Saint Helena Finance Board has decided to raise tuition by only \$15 per month per child for next year. This slight increase will not even keep up with inflation. Saint Helena Parish will continue to offer scholarships to children whose families are actively participating in the life of the parish and church and attending Sunday Mass.

This year Saint Helena is implementing continuous enrollment. We will assume that all students in grades K-7 will be returning next year. If that is not the case, please let us know as soon as possible. On March 25, the \$150 Nonrefundable Registration Fee per family for the 2022-2023 will be added to your monthly TADS statement and be withdrawn from your account.

It is my sincere hope that all present students will continue their education at Saint Helena next year. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me. I am always available to talk and offer help. If you are interested in financial assistance, applications for Aim Higher Scholarships must be applied for in TADS by March 1.

Together we can build a bright future founded on faith and reason for our children.

Sincerely,
Jane Hileman
Principal