

SCS Fees Explained

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Registration Fee

Student registration fees are allocated across four areas that directly support school operations and long-term sustainability. A portion of the registration fees goes directly to the PTC (Parent-Teacher Committee), and another portion is paid to the Diocese to cover a diocesan per-student assessment. The remainder is split between the General Registration and Building and Maintenance funds to cover administrative costs for student records and the ongoing care and maintenance of St. Cecilia's campus.

Perpetual Maintenance Fee

The Perpetual Maintenance Fee is invested in long-term repairs, replacements, and improvements, such as roofs, HVAC systems, and other major maintenance projects.

Non-tithing Fee

St. Cecilia School partners closely with Sacred Heart Parish in carrying out our mission. Families who are active, tithing parishioners contribute to the church's ministries and facilities, which directly support the school. Active, tithing parishioners receive priority registration and are not assessed a non-tithing fee.

For families who do not meet the tithing threshold (\$250 or more in the previous calendar year), a **non-tithing fee of \$250 per family** is applied. This fee helps cover the parish campus resources used by the school. Tithing history is reviewed annually. Contributions must be made through traceable methods such as envelopes, credit card, eCheck, EFT, Venmo, or checks.

This structure ensures that all families contribute fairly to the shared resources that support both the parish and the school.

Family Fee

This fee supports school marketing and advancement, keeps student admission to athletic events free, and contributes to the school's overall operating budget.

Beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, the family fee will be increased by \$240.00 to facilitate a full-time contracted School Resource Officer (SRO).

Technology Fee

The technology fee is assessed to offset the cost of maintaining a robust and reliable technology program for all students, faculty, and staff. Technology is an integral part of instruction and assessment, and this fee helps the school sustain the infrastructure, hardware, and software needed to support 21st-century learning.

Specifically, the technology fee helps cover:

- **Devices & Maintenance** – Purchase, upkeep, repair, and replacement cycles for Chromebooks, iPads, or other school-issued devices.
- **Infrastructure** – Network equipment, Wi-Fi access points, servers, and data storage.
- **Software & Subscriptions** – Licensing for digital platforms, learning applications, assessment tools, and e-textbooks.
- **Classroom Technology** – Interactive panels, projectors, teacher laptops, and peripherals.
- **IT Support & Licensing** – Costs associated with technical support, warranties, and system management.
- **Security & Filtering** – Firewalls, monitoring systems, and filtering tools to ensure safe and responsible online access.
- **Future Upgrades** – A sustainable replacement cycle that keeps hardware and systems current.

Room Mom Fee

The **room mom fee** covers classroom parties and classroom special activities. This fee gives room moms a set budget to use for things like seasonal celebrations and small classroom events or projects. This way, every class has the same opportunities for fun and celebration.

Class Fees

Class, or grade level, fees are assessed to cover the consumable instructional materials, programs, and classroom resources that directly support student learning at each grade level. These fees are set up separately from tuition to cover the full cost of resources your child will use throughout the year during summer ordering.

Depending on the grade level, fees may include:

- **Snacks** (PreK/K only)
- **Seat Sacks and Pencil Pouches** (Initial purchase only)
- **Student Planners**
- **AR/STAR Enterprise** – Reading practice and assessment tools
- **Supplemental activities and materials for Enrichments**
- **Freckle Math** – Differentiated math practice platform
- **Religion** – Faith formation resources, including Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) supplies
- **Curriculum Support Materials** – Consumable items such as workbooks
- **Supplemental Subscriptions** – Vary by grade level
- **Supplies** – General classroom supplies provided for all students. At some grade levels, this may include specialized folders, etc.