

Dollars for Scholars: 2021-22 School Year Information Packet

The Dollars for Scholars program is a fundraising requirement which subsidizes each student's tuition. Because of this program, we are able to keep student tuition lower. It also helps keep tuition consistent for both parish families and non-parish families.

Each family will have to choose 1 of the following 3 options to fulfill their Dollars for Scholars requirement. Please note that although only Option 3 has a volunteer requirement, *the success of this program reaches all students and therefore would benefit greatly from your participation* and any time you may be able to volunteer. The acknowledgement form must be submitted by 9/10/21 with each family's choice.

1. Buy-Out Option: You can choose to pay \$500 by 10/15/21 by submitting a check payable to OLPH HSA or if no check is received, \$500 will be deducted from your FACTS account by 10/29/21.

2. Basic Obligation Option: You must purchase \$2,000 in gift certificates by 6/30/22. If you have *NOT* met your obligation in full by the deadline, and no attempt has been made to resolve your outstanding balance, the full buy-out fee of \$500 with a \$100 late fee will be automatically drafted from your FACTS account on July 31. If you no longer have a FACTS account (child graduates or leaves OLPH) you will be required to pay \$600 in cash or check by 7/31/22. This fee will be charged regardless of any gift cards purchased throughout the year.

3. Tuition Reimbursement Option: You have the ability to earn future tuition credit if you go beyond your basic obligation. Tuition credit will start to accumulate once you purchase at least \$2,500 in gift certificates, attend an information session, and earn 8 service points (4 from filling gift cards, 4 from volunteering/donating). Any tuition credit earned will be applied for the following school year.

Information Sharing: You will receive quarterly reports indicating how many *Volunteer Service Points* you have earned, as well as how much you have purchased in gift cards. If you are unsure of your status or have questions, please email: Patty Nixon- ptybm@rcn.com.

How to Purchase Gift Cards:

SCHOOL: You are able to purchase them through the school Tuesday through Friday using your child's blue AT HOME COMMUNICATION FOLDER. In order to purchase at school, please send in a completed ***Dollars for Scholars*** order form in the designated envelope, and include payment. If you are writing a check, please make it payable to OLPH HSA. Gift certificates will be sent home the same day. There are no sales on Mondays or half days.

MASS: You may purchase gift cards in the church vestibule from 4:30pm - 6:15pm on Saturday and 9:00am -10:45am on Sunday. Times are subject to change as the school year progresses. Please leave the completed ***Dollars for Scholars*** order form and payment in an envelope at the designated gift card table before going into Mass for pick-up after. You can also request your order be filled immediately in case you are not attending mass.

ONLINE: OLPH now offers an online purchasing program called Scrips (www.ShopWithScrip.com). You will need to create a username and password and can download an app for your phone. A variety of gift cards may be purchased in this program with the exception of major grocery stores.