Frequently Asked Questions about St. Francis – St. Stephen School

* **Do you have to be Catholic to attend?** No, we accept all faiths. All students are required to participate in prayer, religion class, and school Masses. There are financial incentives for active parishioners of any of the Diocese of Rochester Catholic parishes.
* **What is the tuition rate per child?** We have been very fortunate to only have raised our tuition rates by 5% this year. This is average compared to other schools in the Diocese. The tuition for is $6,384 for the first student (non-parishioner rate). We have discount rates for families with multiple students and if you are a parishioner of one of the local Catholic churches the tuition is $4,499 for the first student. If you do the math, our tuition equals $5.91\* an hour per child. That’s only $35.46\* a child per day! We are such a deal!
* **Is there financial aid available?** Yes, we have financial aid available. All families may apply for financial aid through FACTS tuition.
* **What is the age requirement for the preschool, prekindergarten, and kindergarten program?** Preschool students must be at least 3 years old; pre-kindergarten students must be at least 4 years old; and kindergarteners must be 5 years-old by beginning December 1st. Students must be completely potty trained before attending.
* **Do you offer services for students will special needs?** We are able to provide through Geneva School District many special education services such as academic intervention, speech, occupational therapy, and physical therapy. Students qualify if they have an IEP or through a CSE classification. We do not have an autism specialist on site or special classroom placements for students with severe learning needs.
* **Is there wrap around care (early drop off and late pick up)?** Yes, we provide students before school care starting at 7 am and after school care that goes until 5:30 pm. There is a separate fee to use either or both programs.
* **Do you have a hot lunch program?** We offer 5 meal options that are pre-purchased by families each month via the Family Portal. The meals are pizza, hot dog, chicken nuggets, pasta, and subs. Each meal is served with a fruit cup or carrot sticks and a choice of chips. We also offer milk. Students who qualify for free or reduced lunch are able to access lunch at the free or reduced price.
* **What is the average class size?** In the 2023-2024 school year, our smallest class was 5 students and our largest was 17 students. The median class size is 10 students. This number fluctuates based on the number of students enrolled.

\*This rate is based on full tuition rate. Financial aid and other incentives are available to decrease the rates.