

Saint Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Parish Education Assistance Application

Throughout its history, St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Parish has been committed to furthering the educational opportunities of its youth and young adults. This commitment is being renewed and strengthened with the establishment of the St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Parish Education Assistance Fund. Recognizing that the parish is part of the larger Community, this opportunity is being made available to assist those beyond the membership of St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima within the following guidelines.

The first twenty-five applications will be accepted for consideration, with a maximum of ten awards being given annually. Funds awarded will represent a portion of the growth of the fund each calendar year. Deadline for application is **April 30, 2024** for awards in the following academic year 2024-2025.

Program Guidelines & Priorities:

- ❖ Student must be accepted/enrolled in an accredited school at one of the levels below
 - Elementary School (Grades 1 -8)
 - High School (9-12th grade)
 - Junior College (Community College seeking an Associate's Degree)
 - Admission to a Technical School or College
 - Admitted to or enrolled in a College or University (4 Year College seeking a Bachelor's Degree)
 - Admitted to or enrolled in a Graduate School Program (Master's or Doctoral degree program)

- ❖ Student must be a member of St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Church OR
- ❖ Student must be a member of another faith community and live within the geographic boundaries of the parish as established by the Diocese of Cleveland.

- ❖ Student must demonstrate service to the community and/or involvement in her or his faith community.

- ❖ Student must demonstrate financial need.

- ❖ Student must submit three letters of recommendation along with completed application:
 - Letter from Pastor, Imam, or Rabbi who heads the student's faith community
 - Letter from another staff member of faith community
(Youth minister, choir director, etc.)
 - Letter from one other adult (such as a teacher or counselor). The letter cannot be from a parent, guardian, or relative

- ❖ One application per family per year will be considered
- ❖ All scholarship monies will be sent directly to the academic institution or school
- ❖ There is a \$10.00 application fee

Submit one copy of a completed and typed application package to:

St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Church
6800 Lexington Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44103
(216) 391-1655

If there are any questions, please contact: Mr. Michael Bussey (508)948 – 5907 or Mr. Aldo Fierro, (216)391-1655 x13

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CHECKLIST

I am eligible for funding from the Saint Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Education Assistance Fund because I (or the student applicant) meet the following criteria.

Please check all that apply:

- I am a student who has been accepted/enrolled in an accredited school at:
 Elementary School (Grades 1 -8)
 High School (9-12th grade)
 Junior College (Community College seeking an Associate's Degree)
 Admitted to or enrolled in a Technical School or College
 Admitted to or enrolled in a College (4 Year College seeking a Bachelor's Degree)
 Admitted to or enrolled in a graduate program (Master's or Doctoral Degree Program)
- I am a student who is a member of St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Church **OR**
- I am a student who is a member of another faith community and live within the geographic boundaries of the parish as established by the Diocese of Cleveland.
- I am a student who demonstrates service to the community and/or involvement in her or his faith community. OR As a younger student in grades 1-3, I show kindness and helpfulness to others.
- I am a student who demonstrates financial need.
- I can obtain three letters of recommendation and submit them with this application from:
- Pastor, Imam, or Rabbi who heads the student's faith community
 - Another staff member of faith community
(Youth minister, choir director, etc.)
 - From one other adult (such as a teacher or counselor, not a family member)
- I have the \$10.00 application fee

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1. Name of person completing this application if different from the student applicant:

What is your relationship to the student? _____

2. Name of church or worship Center : _____

Name and Title of Religious Leader: _____

Contact information for Religious Leader: Address _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

3.

Last Name (Student):

First Name, Middle Initial (Student):

4.

Mailing Address
Street:

City:

State:

Zip:

5.

Daytime telephone number: (____) _____

Email address:

6.

Date of birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

7.

Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale)
Attach a copy of a transcript from school

8.

Name of school: (attending Fall 2024) _____

Address of school:

Attach a letter from the school to verify enrollment

<p>9.</p>	<p>A. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in school:</p> <p><i>Use a separate sheet and attach at the end if necessary. If the question does not apply, write N/A (not applicable)</i></p> <p>B. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities:</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p>List any and all community service in which you have participated</p> <p><i>For younger students (Grades 1 – 3), please see question #12</i></p>
<p>11.</p>	<p>List all activities in which you are involved in your faith community.</p> <p><i>For younger students (Grades 1 – 3), please see question #12</i></p>

12.	Can you think of ways that you have been kind and/or helpful to others?
13.	What is estimated monthly income? _____ What are your estimated monthly expenses? _____
14.	Please explain why you are requesting financial assistance.
15.	What specifically will the funding be used to purchase?
16.	How much funding are you requesting? \$ _____

17.	Please list any other scholarships or funding applied for and any awarded:
18.	<p><i>(Consider)</i> On a separate paper, please write an essay (1000 - 2000 words) addressing the following:</p> <p>Describe how this scholarship will help you. Describe how your community service came about and what being a volunteer has taught you. Describe how involvement in your faith community has help you. Are there any causes or organizations that especially interest you? Finally, discuss any challenges you have dealt with and overcome. How will dealing with adversity help you succeed in school, college and beyond?</p> <p><i>For students in grades 1 – 5, please answer question # 12 instead of completing the essay.</i></p>
19.	<p>You will need three letters of recommendation from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Letter from Pastor, Imam, or Rabbi who heads the student’s faith community-Letter from another staff member of faith community (Youth Minister, Choir Director, Teacher, Counselor, etc.)-Letter from one other adult not a parent, guardian, or relative who can speak to your character and judgment

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STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

As the parent of the applicant, I hereby affirm that all of the information in the application for educational assistance is true and correct to the best of my ability.

I understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Education Assistance Fund policy, it is my responsibility to submit to St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima proof of enrollment for the Fall semester 2024 from my school.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of parent of the applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO

**ST. AGNES + OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH
6800 LEXINGTON AVENUE
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44103**

DEADLINE: April 30, 2024