Guardian Catholic School Fee Schedule 2024-2025

GENERAL FEES

<u>Registration fee</u>: All families with children enrolled in grades K-8 pay a \$200 Family Registration Fee. Full payment is due by April 30 to finalize enrollment. This fee is non-refundable.

<u>Book fee Grades K-8</u>: \$400 annually per student for the first two children; the maximum family charge for three or more children will be \$820. This fee covers rental and purchase fees of textbooks, materials, and supplies, and contributes toward the cost of maintaining and upgrading our technology program. Payment is due prior to the start of the school year and is non-refundable after school starts. Other payment arrangements are available upon request.

<u>Tuition K-8</u>: \$8,400 annually per student in Kindergarten through Grade 8. We work with families who meet our admissions criteria to make tuition affordable. Tuition scholarships for students in grades K-8 are available through Step Up for Students, Florida Tax Credit (FTC-EO) and the Family Empowerment Scholarship (FES).

<u>Tuition PK3</u>: Tuition is \$4,000 annually per student in PK3 for the academic portion of the day from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Guardian Catholic School Tuition Assistance is available through FACTS Grant and Aid. Wraparound Services are available from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. See the back of this page for more information.

All families make online payments to the school by setting up a FACTS Payment Plan. You can access the online application using the Payments icon located under QuickLinks on the homepage of the school website, <u>www.guardiancatholic.com</u>

Tuition payment options include:

- Whole amount in July or August with a 10% discount. (This option does not apply to those on scholarships. FACTS charges a \$5 Enrollment Fee to those who pay in full.)
- Half by August 31 & half by January 31. (FACTS Enrollment Fee is \$15.)
- Ten equal monthly payments (July through April) paid through the FACTS Management Company, a tuition management service, only. (FACTS Enrollment Fee for monthly payments is \$50.)

Important Note: Students in PreK 4 under the Florida Voluntary PreK program (VPK) and those approved for Success By 6 (PK3 and PK4) pay none of the above fees but are responsible for the remaining costs listed below.

<u>Uniforms</u>: RC Uniforms is the sole provider of uniforms. Students in all grades PK3 through Grade 8 must always be in uniform. The school dress code and uniform price list are available separately.

<u>Volunteer Hours</u>: Each family contributes a minimum of 25 hours of volunteer service (or \$125) annually by participating in fund-raising activities; assisting at school; or helping with field trips, special workdays, or projects throughout the year. Hours not served by May 1 are assessed at \$5 per hour.

FEES FOR OPTIONAL SERVICES

Before School Care: Before school care is available each school day beginning at 6:45 a.m. at a charge of \$1 for each child who arrives prior to 7:30. The fee is billed annually at a charge of \$18 per month for one child and \$36 per month for two children which represents a charge of \$1 per day per child. The maximum family monthly charge for three or more children will be \$40 per month. Before School Care Fees are covered by School Readiness funding, parents are required to pay their assigned daily rate.

<u>School Readiness Childcare Financial Assistance</u> is income-based and available from the Early Learning Coalition of Duval. Apply online by clicking on the School Readiness Program link at <u>www.elcofduval.com</u>. Both Guardian Catholic School and Champions® are approved providers for School Readiness funds. Parents with School Readiness funding should <u>request two providers</u> on their certificate: 1) Guardian Catholic School for school day wraparound services for PK3 & PK4 students from 11:30 to 3:00 pm; and 2) Champions for after school care from 3:00-5:30 pm.

<u>PK Wraparound Services</u> Wraparound services from 11:30 to 3:00 p.m. for PK3 & PK4 cost \$45 per week. Parents who receive School Readiness Childcare Assistance pay their designated portion of the fee unless they receive funding from Success By 6.

<u>After School Care for grades PK3 through 8</u> is provided on campus from 3-5:30 pm by Champions[®]. Champions[®] fee schedules are provided when you enroll in the program. Other options for After School Care are listed below^{*}. Champions[®] is the only site approved for Success By 6 funding. Site Director, Felicia Bosman, can be reached at 904-703-8379 to answer your questions about the program and assist with registration. Learn more at <u>Champions</u>.

<u>Hot lunch</u>: Through the Community Eligibility Provision of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), breakfast and lunch are available to all students at no charge.

<u>Other fees</u>: Students participating in optional activities such as sports, clubs, or STEM will incur additional fees.

Payment of fees

Monthly fees are due by the date designated in the FACTS agreement. To request a change of date for FACTS payments, call the office at least four business days before your scheduled payment. FACTS makes three attempts to collect an NSF payment and charges a total of \$30 for those attempts. <u>Each time</u> FACTS tries your bank will also charge an NSF fee. Avoid those fees by calling us four days in advance to change your date due! FACTS only makes one attempt to collect a scheduled payment; after that families are required to make payment in the office.

* Each family is responsible for having a plan in place for their children at the end of the school day. The following programs pick students up after school at Guardian and bus them to an off-campus location for After School Care. *Some options include:*

- Boys & Girls Club / Bridge 904-379-1673
- NFL Youth Education Town, W 25th St 904-632-8327
- JaxPal Afterschool Program 904-854-6555 Eastside Center ext 323 * Monument Center ext 325 * Northside Center ext 317 * Westside Center ext 326