

ESAs & scholarships

Apply for all 4 diocesan scholarships and all local awards with one online TADS application - go to your school's website by April 1, 2023 for the 2023-24 academic year.

See ESA instructions below.

Scholarship basics:

MLTF Scholarships (preK-12)* – Funded by MLTF contributions, these scholarships are awarded to families who meet the income eligibility requirements governed by the State of Iowa.

Together As One Fund (K-12) – Funded by the Diocese of Sioux City Together As One campaign, these scholarships are geared to families who are registered parishioners in the diocese.

Parent Partner Funds (K-12) – Funded through the Catholic School Foundation for Catholic Schools, these scholarships assist families who meet income eligibility.

Catherine Birzle Education Trust (9-12) – Funded through a trust, high school students are eligible to apply for awards, based upon need.

*PreK recipients must be 5 years old by Sept. 15 of the award academic year.

The 2023-24 MLTF awards will be substantially larger than in past years due to increased fundraising and coordination with ESA funding.

Local Awards - Also apply for local scholarships and awards through the TADS application.

ESA Income Guideline

Household Size	Maximum income
1	\$43,740
2	\$59,160
3	\$74,160
4	\$90,000
5	\$105,420
6	\$120,840
7	\$136,260
8	\$151,680
For each additional person add	\$15,420

ESA basics:

The Students First Act was signed into law on January 24, 2023. This act established Education Savings Accounts (ESA) for families. ESAs provide \$7,598 per student to parents for tuition, fees and other qualified education expenses at accredited private schools in Iowa.

ESA Eligibility for 2023-24:

- All full time kindergarten students
- All students transferring from a public school
- Students who are currently homeschooled and register full time in your school.
- Any student enrolled in a private school meeting income guidelines (see table).

Application:

- The application is through the Iowa Department of Education and is currently in development including the application opening date.
- Applications will be due by June 30 for the 2023-24 academic year.



Diocesan Scholarship Income Guideline

Household Size	Maximum Levels
1	\$110,000
2	\$140,000
3	\$180,000
4	\$210,000
5	\$250,000
6	\$290,000
7	\$320,000
8	\$360,000
For each additional person add	\$40,000

