



# FINANCIAL AID PACKET

SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS | CLASS OF 2026, 2027 & 2028

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# FINANCIAL AID OVERVIEW

Bishop Foley Catholic High School's scholarship and grant program supports our commitment to enroll the most talented and diverse students in the area. These discounts and financial aid grants are an outward sign of our commitment to families that are seeking a quality, faith-based education. We award need-based financial aid and tuition assistance each year. Need-based financial aid awards are grants that do not need to be repaid.

Students are encouraged to apply for all scholarships and grants (respectively) for which they feel they may qualify. When determining financial need, Bishop Foley Catholic considers the number of children in Catholic school, college, special family situations, etc. If your financial situation changes significantly throughout the year, please contact the Business Office explaining your circumstances. Sometimes, additional grant money becomes available after the school year begins.

## OTHER FORMS OF TUITION ASSISTANCE

### » *Parish Subsidies, Grants and Awards*

Many of the parishes in the Archdiocese of Detroit have programs to assist students who attend Catholic Schools. It is always advisable to check with your parish for requirements.

### » *Scrip*

Scrip is a program that enables you to earn money for tuition by pre-purchasing gift certificates to any of the over 200 stores, restaurants, movie theaters or gas stations in the area that participate. A list of companies that participate is listed on the forms available in the Main Office. Each of the contributing companies offers a rebate — a particular percent of the amount purchased to be returned to Bishop Foley Catholic to apply toward your student's tuition. Extended families and neighbors can also place orders in your student's name. Some families receive between \$300 and \$500, and others receive over \$1,000 per year.

For more information about the Scrip program, please contact Main Office Coordinator Kathy Morris at [morris@bishopfoley.org](mailto:morris@bishopfoley.org) or visit [www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com).

### » *Bishop Foley Catholic Tuition Discounts*

**Multiple Child Discount** — To qualify for the Multiple Child Discount, all of the children must be attending Bishop Foley Catholic concurrently. The discount is applied to the oldest child's account. For the second child, the discount applied is \$1,000. For the third child, the discount applied is \$2,000. Recipients of the Multiple Child Discount cannot qualify for the Alumni Discount as well.

**Alumni Discount** — This discount of \$500 is applied to one child's account. Families are only eligible if one or both parents attended BFC; it does not apply to older siblings or other relatives.

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## COLIN & KAREN WITTMER SCHOLARSHIP

Who Qualifies:	BFC students in grades 10–12 with an unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher and involvement in at least two extracurricular activities
Application Deadline:	March 21, 2025
Application Process:	Applicants will submit an essay detailing how they are making a difference at BFC and in the community at large. The top three candidates from each grade level (based on their essay) will be interviewed by a panel of administrators and staff members and will also require one teacher recommendation to be considered for the award. Applicants should submit their essay to <a href="mailto:scholarships@bishopfoley.org">scholarships@bishopfoley.org</a> by the application deadline.
Award Amount:	\$3,000 ( <i>renewable</i> )
Renewal Requirements:	Recipients must maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher, participate in two or more extracurricular activities and uphold the Bishop Foley Catholic Honor Code. They will also be asked to submit a brief statement as to why they should receive the renewal.
Award Announcement:	April 2025

## JANINE KAIRIS – FAITH & GRATITUDE SCHOLARSHIP

Who Qualifies:	New and returning BFC students who are in good academic standing
Application Deadline:	March 21, 2025
Application Process:	Students must write an essay of 250 words or more describing the importance of dedication to your studies and how faith has impacted that dedication. Applicants should submit their essay to <a href="mailto:scholarships@bishopfoley.org">scholarships@bishopfoley.org</a> by the application deadline.
Award Amount:	\$1,000 ( <i>non-renewable</i> )
Award Announcement:	April 2025

## KENNETH & MARY SMITH SCHOLARSHIP

Who Qualifies:	New and returning BFC students in grades 9–12 who are involved in two or more extracurricular activities (clubs and/or athletics)
Application Deadline:	March 21, 2025
Application Process:	Students must be formally accepted to Bishop Foley Catholic and write an essay of 250 words or more describing the importance of receiving a quality Catholic education. Applicants should submit their essay to <a href="mailto:scholarships@bishopfoley.org">scholarships@bishopfoley.org</a> by the application deadline.
Award Amount:	\$500 ( <i>renewable</i> )
Renewal Requirements:	Recipients must maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher, participate in two or more extracurricular activities and uphold the Bishop Foley Catholic Honor Code.
Award Announcement:	April 2025

# SCHOLARSHIPS

"MAKE YOUR IMPRESSION ON THE WORLD" SCHOLARSHIP	
Who Qualifies:	BFC students in grades 10-12 with a GPA of 3.2 or higher
Application Deadline:	March 21, 2025
Application Process:	In honor of Mr. Valinski, a longtime history teacher at Bishop Foley Catholic, write an essay of 250 words or more describing how you plan to use your BFC education to impact the world. Applicants should submit their essay to <a href="mailto:scholarships@bishopfoley.org">scholarships@bishopfoley.org</a> by the application deadline.
Award Amount:	\$1,000 (renewable)
Renewal Requirements:	Recipients must maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher, participate in two or more extracurricular activities and uphold the Bishop Foley Catholic Honor Code.
Award Announcement:	April 2025

## SUPPLEMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS

### » *File Types*

If you are applying for a scholarship that requires an essay or letter of recommendation, those documents **must** be submitted as a PDF file. **Word and Google Docs will not be accepted**, but both applications allow users to save work as a PDF. Submissions that do not meet the file type requirements will not be considered.

### » *File Names*

Likewise, any document being submitted for a scholarship application should be titled appropriately. Your student's first and last name, as well as the scholarship they are applying for, must be included in the file name when you submit it. For example:

*Smith, John – Leadership Scholarship Application.pdf*

## ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### » *External Scholarships*

Many local Catholic organizations sponsor scholarships for students attending Catholic high schools, including local parishes and Alliance Catholic Credit Union. We encourage students to apply for any externally funded scholarship opportunities for which they may qualify in addition to the scholarships listed in this packet.

The Bishop Foley Catholic Grant & Scholarship Committee will communicate information on external scholarship opportunities in the weekly parent newsletter as we are notified of them. This information will also be communicated to students through the Admissions Office or Counseling Department. For additional information, please contact Mr. Trevor Tyle, Director of Admissions & Enrollment, at [tyle@bishopfoley.org](mailto:tyle@bishopfoley.org).

# GRANTS

BISHOP FOLEY CATHOLIC TUITION GRANTS	
Who Qualifies:	Accepted Bishop Foley Catholic students in grades 9–12. Grants are allocated based on financial need and family circumstances.
Application Deadline:	Allocations are made on a rolling basis once applications are completed and have been assessed by FACTS.
Application Process:	Complete and submit the online FACTS Financial Aid application, which can be accessed at <a href="http://www.bishopfoley.org/affording-bfc">www.bishopfoley.org/affording-bfc</a> .
Award Amount:	Decisions are based on a family's income level, family size, number of students in Catholic schools, monthly expenses and special circumstances or hardships. The total amount of tuition assistance provided each year is based on the availability of funds and the number of applicants.
Award Announcement:	Rolling basis

ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT (AOD) TUITION GRANTS	
Who Qualifies:	Accepted Bishop Foley Catholic students in grades 9–12 who are Catholic and are a registered member of a parish. A limited number of grants are available to non-Catholic families. Grants are allocated based on financial need and family circumstances.
Application Deadline:	February 28, 2025
Application Process:	Complete and submit the online FACTS Financial Aid application, which can be accessed at <a href="http://www.bishopfoley.org/affording-bfc">www.bishopfoley.org/affording-bfc</a> . <b>Please note:</b> Only one FACTS Financial Aid application is needed to apply for both the BFC and AOD tuition grants. All applicants must be a registered parishioner of an AOD parish and request a signature from their pastor. More information is available at <a href="http://www.detroitcatholicschools.org/tuition-assistance-scholarships">www.detroitcatholicschools.org/tuition-assistance-scholarships</a> .
Maximum Amount:	Decisions are based on a family's income level, family size, number of students in Catholic schools, monthly expenses and special circumstances or hardships. The total amount of tuition assistance provided each year is based on the availability of funds and the number of applicants.
Award Announcement:	Spring 2025

## ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?

For more information, please contact us:

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