



Catholic Steward Tuition Rate Application Process Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

Is there a webpage dedicated to the stewardship application process?

Yes, you can access that site here: <https://www.stmichaelcary.org/steward-tuition-rate/>

We applied last year and were approved, do we have to apply again?

Yes. The St. Michael Catholic Steward Tuition Rate approval is only for one year. Families must apply every year.

What is the deadline for submitting the St. Michael Catholic Stewardship Application for the 2025-2026 school year?

Your deadline depends on the students you have in your family.

Only ONE APPLICATION is accepted per family, per year.

For example, if you have one CGHS student and one rising fourth grader who will attend St. Michael Catholic School, you need to include BOTH of those students on your ONE application.

2025-2026 APPLICATION DEADLINES

October 31st, 2024 – Families with RETURNING Cardinal Gibbons High School Students

January 8th, 2025 – Families with NEW Cardinal Gibbons High School Students

March 1st, 2025 – All other families

What are the criteria for St. Michael Catholic Steward Tuition Rate approval?

Please visit: <https://www.stmichaelcary.org/steward-tuition-rate/>.

How are Time & Talent hours tracked?

At this time, there is not a required number of Time & Talent hours. Your active participation in our St. Michael community is verified by Ministry & Group Leaders. For your own records, we also recommend keeping a log of your participation.

What activities are considered to be part of Time & Talent?

Regular participation in a St. Michael Church ministry or group, as well as volunteering as a parent leader in our parish schools. Volunteer opportunities at St. Michael Preschool and St. Michael School (Pre-K-8) include (but are not limited to): volunteering as a Room Parent, chaperoning field trips, serving as an athletics coach, chairing a PTO committee, etc.



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What amount of Treasure is required and how often should we be making contributions?

At this time, a specific monetary amount has not been set and there is no required giving schedule. Please donate according to your financial abilities as an active Catholic Steward family. Your regular and identifiable contributions to St. Michael the Archangel are tracked in your Realm online account and/or through your parish offertory envelopes.

Which contributions are considered part of our family's offering of Treasure in our faith community?

Regular, identifiable and tax-deductible donations are considered Treasure. These include gifts offered to St. Michael Church Offertory, the church Charity Fund, and a multitude of ministry funds. Examples of school donations include gifts to the Angel Fund, the Queen of Angels Endowment, and other tax-deductible school donations.

How will I know if my application for the St. Michael Catholic Steward Tuition Rate is approved or denied?

Families will be notified by email once their application is fully processed.

Will my application be denied if I forget to include information or have missing information?

No. If your application and/or your parish member information is missing any required information, you will receive an email stating specifically what information is missing and what the Parish Office is requesting.

Is the St. Michael Catholic Steward Tuition Rate the same as Financial Aid?

No. Financial Aid and Stewardship are two separate items, with separate applications, and separate guidelines. To find information regarding Financial Aid, please visit the St. Michael Catholic School website.

What if I have more questions that are not answered in this document, on the St. Michael webpage, nor in the St. Michael Catholic Steward Rate Guidelines?

Please email any further questions to Stewardship@stm Cary.org