



St. Peter's Lutheran

*Excellence in Education to Grow in Christ and to
Share Christ Through the Power of God's Holy Word*

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Dear St. Peter's School Parents,

St. Peter's Lutheran School provides an excellent Christian education for all its students. Accredited since 2012 by WELSSA and NCPSA with Exemplary Status and prior to that by WRISA since 2004, St. Peter's staff works diligently to improve on that excellence. Every aspect of our education is infused with the faithful preaching, teaching, hearing, and learning of God's Holy Word. Growing closer to our Lord is the single most important factor for our future and eternity. Not only do we provide a solid core curriculum, we also provide many extra-curricular academic and athletic activities. We do this at a very reasonable cost to you the parents.

As you are well aware, the cost of living continues to climb. So does the cost of education. Our most recent analysis shows that it takes \$5130 to educate each Kindergarten through eighth grade student at St. Peter's LES. Current tuition rates are \$1000 for members and \$1400 for nonmembers. The remaining balance is subsidized by St. Peter's Congregation. Our rates have not changed in seven years. Our leadership realizes that our rates cannot remain static if we want to continue offering an excellent Christian education.

The plan is to increase tuition rates to a 50% of the approximate cost (\$2600) over the next six years. St. Peter's members would receive a 25% discount off that amount (\$1950). Preschool rates would be lower. There will still be a sibling discount and financial aid available. We looked at a number of ways to do this and chose the one we felt was best. Tuition rates will increase in three stages. Each stage will last three years (see chart).

Year	Member Rates			Nonmember Rates		
	3P	4P	K-8	3P	4P	K-8
Current	\$725	\$1,400	\$1,000	\$950	\$1,850	\$1,400
2019-22	\$765	\$1,480	\$1,320	\$1,000	\$1,970	\$1,800
2022-25	\$805	\$1,560	\$1,640	\$1,050	\$2,090	\$2,200
2025-28	\$825	\$1,650	\$1,950	\$1,100	\$2,200	\$2,600

Key Points

- No tuition increase in 7 years
- \$5130 cost per child
- Congregation subsidizes 50% of nonmember cost
- Sibling discount is still effective
- CEEF available for members
- TAF available for members and nonmembers
- SCRIP for Tuition helps lower cost
- Plan is subject to change with inflation and/or staffing changes

Please feel free to discuss your concerns over the tuition increase plan with your LES Steering Committee members or principal.

Sincerely,

Paul Lutze, Principal

LES Steering Committee Members

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