

Bourgade Catholic is committed to helping every family and student with a desire for a Catholic education to obtain the financial aid required. Obtaining financial aid is a cooperative process between the student, the family and the school.

STEPS TO OBTAIN FINANCIAL AID

PRIOR TO ADMISSION

- Early in grade school, encourage your student to become involved in Christian service. Keep a record of the service performed and obtain letters of recommendation.
- When your student is in the 7th grade, research and apply for the Christian Service Scholarship from the Catholic Community Foundation. ccfphx.org
- Learn about how State of Arizona taxpayers can redirect their tax dollars to benefit your student at no cost to them. Check out the websites- catholiceducationarizona.org and ibescholarships.org. Begin to talk with family members, business associates, and fellow parishioners about this program.
- Take the placement test at Bourgade Catholic. A \$1,000 scholarship that is renewable over four years is awarded to the student that scores the highest on the test.

FAMILY MUST APPLY FOR ADMISSION BEFORE APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID. SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS ARE GIVEN ONLY TO REGISTERED STUDENTS!

UPON ADMISSION

- Get your taxes done early (January)!
- Complete the Catholic Education Arizona (formerly CTODP) scholarship application online and submit prior to April 15th of each year. This will require a copy of your completed tax return.
- Attend the Bourgade Catholic financial aid night in March/April.
- Register your student with one of the programs funded by the Arizona State Tax Credit. Be sure to select one that accepts donations recommended to your student.
- Find those associates, family members, etc. that have an Arizona State taxes liability and ask them to redirect to the program you select. It doesn't cost them a dime! Remember, they have until April 15th!!
- Have student obtain letters of recommendation from family members, administrators of service projects, school teacher or principal. Make copies of these letters to be included with applications. Retain the originals.
- Apply for any other scholarships that your student is eligible for. Apply for all of them and as early as you can! Many scholarships are awarded on a first come, first served basis. Keep copies of your applications. Don't forget to include any application fee required.

THEN YOU WAIT!!

- Most scholarships are not awarded until June or July. Notification letters are mailed to your home address so be sure to file a forwarding address with the Post Office if you move.

NEED MORE HELP?

- Contact the Bourgade Catholic Finance Office. Contact Jeanne Hink at extension 133 or Sue Rounds at extension 119. You can email to jhink@bourgade.org or srounds@bourgade.org.