



BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

SUBSIDY/AUTHORIZATION REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS 221

Rationale

The parish subsidy not only balances the school budget after government grants, tuition and fundraising have been computed, but demonstrates in a public and concrete way the parish's commitment to Catholic education.

Policy

Every school budget will include a parish subsidy from each regional parish with students in the school. The per-student amount will be uniform and will be set by the pastors of the region. The total subsidy from each parish will be the per-student amount times the number of authorized students in categories where a subsidy is given. (Non-Catholic students and some others are admitted without subsidy). This subsidy to the regional school is distinct from tuition assistance given to families experiencing financial hardship.

Procedure

1. Once committed, the parish subsidy to the regional secondary school is to be continued for the school year providing the family remains active in the parish.
2. Pastors may authorize students from families not active in the parish. This does not require subsidy to the regional secondary school.
3. Non active parents will pay a higher rate of tuition unless the parish includes them in its subsidy to the regional secondary school.
4. Students, either Catholic or non-Catholic, who are not authorized may be accepted into the school in accordance with the CISVA admissions policy after all authorized students have been accepted. Non-authorized students will pay a higher rate of tuition.
5. No participating Catholic family should be denied a Catholic education because it cannot afford to pay tuition. Authorized students whose families cannot afford tuition should approach their Pastor, who may:
 - 5.1 assist the family by having the parish pay the family's tuition fees to the school. Such tuition assistance will be recorded as a taxable benefit to the family.
 - 5.2 or, work in conjunction with the Archbishop's Representative, who will ensure that the regional school has a program/s of financial assistance in place to assist Catholic families who can not afford tuition, .e.g, bursaries for the needy, etc.

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