



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## St Joseph Council #5604 Scholarship Application GUIDELINES FOR ELIGIBILITY AND AWARD 2023-2024

1. Applicants must be a practicing Catholic registered at St. Joseph Catholic Church.
2. Applicant's children must be students of grades PK3-8 registered at St. Joseph Catholic School or Cardinal Mooney grades 9-12.
3. Applicant must be an active dues paying, honorary or honorary life parent or grandparent, in good standing in St. Joseph Knights of Columbus Council #5604.
4. All Applicants must show financial need by applying through the Step Up for Students program, due to changes in the Step Up for Students program, St. Joseph Scholl will review each applicant that has applied for a scholarship and advise the Council of the short fall between their tuition and the funds received from the Step-Up Program. Scholarships are designed to help bridge the gap between the funds received and the tuition of each student. This is a needs-based award. By signing and submitting this application the applicant authorizes the school "St. Joseph Catholic School" to release the shortfall amount to St. Joseph Council Scholarship, this information will not be shared outside of the scholarship committee.
5. In addition to financial needs awards each Knight in good standing, parent or grandparent will receive a \$200 per child award payable directly to St. Joseph Catholic School or Cardinal Mooney in September of each year, provided they have completed a scholarship application.
6. Service Awards: amounts of awards will be considered on the basis of Service to the Council, the Parish, the School the Community, and financial need,
7. Applications must be fully completed to be considered.
8. Applications must be received by St. Joseph Council #5604 Scholarship Committee (SJCS) no later than August 15<sup>th</sup>
9. Scholarship recipients are responsible for notifying SJCS, immediately if changes affecting information in the application occur prior to beginning of the academic year, or during the school year.
10. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the St. Joseph Catholic School or Cardinal Mooney 3 times a year, September (\$200 award), mid-December, and late April.
11. Applicants must **attend at least 2 meetings prior to 12/1/2023 to be eligible for the second distribution and three additional meetings prior 4/1/2024 to be eligible for the third distribution.** Applicants must sign in and out at Council events and submit a summary of activities participated in prior to distribution of awards in December, and April, to the SJCS, if the Council continues with Pancake Breakfasts and Coffee and Donuts applicants **must work** at 25% of either of these events, to be eligible in addition to other activities, it is the applicant's sole responsibility to submit these summaries in a timely manner, **December is due by 12/1/2023, April is due 04/01/24** no exceptions, these will be used to determine the basis of council service and secondary distributions amounts. Attendance at a meeting is not an event and does not count as an activity. There is a sample write up attached to this application's, it may be used or the applicant may submit activities report in any format, these will be reviewed by the SJCS. Ineligibility for the second distribution does not disqualify the applicant for the third distribution.
12. All information in the application will be maintained as personal and confidential except for the non-financial information that may be shared during awards presentations.
13. The amount awarded to recipients will be dependent upon the amount available, in any given year, up to 70% of Council income. After the \$200 per student award described in item #5 above, additional award amounts will be based upon the participation in Council and Community events submitted in the activity information described in item # 11 above.
14. Applications must be submitted annually they are not automatically renewed.
15. Two Scholarships to graduating seniors, one male student and one female student, in the amount of \$500 each, may be awarded to two students who are attending Catholic High School. These scholarship awards, if made, are academic awards. These awards if made may reduce the total amount of scholarship funds available. Award winners for this award will be determined by the Principal and Staff of St. Joseph School and will be presented at school awards assembly program. These Scholarship Award checks will be paid to the High School based upon the criteria given to the parents of these children when the award is presented. Notification of change of plans or non-attendance should be made to the committee prior to issuance of checks in mid-January.

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16. This form may be filled out electronically and e-mailed to [aconnizzo@hotmail.com](mailto:aconnizzo@hotmail.com) or printed out and mailed or hand delivered to the Church office SJCSC's attention.

17. You may refer any questions regarding scholarships to any member of the Scholarship Committee listed below:

- Alfred Connizzo, PGK, FDD
- James Vanderhorst, PG.
- Larry Locascio PGK

**Part I General Information:**

(Please print or type clearly)

Parent Name in Full: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parish register in \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for this Scholarship in the past if so when?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

List names, ages and grades of children attending or who will be attending St. Joseph Catholic School: (additional children show below)

	Name	Age	Grade	
1 <sup>st</sup>				
2 <sup>nd</sup>				
3 <sup>rd</sup>				

**Part II. Council Service**

1. When did you become a member of St. Joseph Council K of C  
\_\_\_\_\_

1. A. Are you a First, Second or Third-degree member \_\_\_\_\_

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2A. Please list council activities you have participated in at the Council, if a new member those you plan on participating in.

Activity	Dates	Comments

2B. Please list activities you have participated in the Parish, school or other Catholic, or community activities etc.

Activity	Dates	Comments

3. Do you attend meeting and/or activities on a regular basis?

Yes  No

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**Part III. Additional Children**

1.	Name of Child	Age	Grade

2. What other scholarships/grants have you applied for?

Name scholarship/sponsor	Range of grant given

List any factors that you feel should be taken into account by the committee reviewing this request, financial or otherwise.


**I have read and understand the guidelines for this scholarship; to the best of my knowledge the above information is true and accurate. I authorize the release of this information to members of the Scholarship Committee.**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Mail the entire **completed** form to Alfred A. Connizzo. Form must be received by August 15, 2021

**Alfred A Connizzo  
Scholarship Committee  
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Bradenton, Fl. 34208**

