The tuition assistance application process is open now! Apply by April 18, 2023.

What tuition assistance is available?
- **Catholic Tuition Organization (CTO)**: Provides tuition assistance based on household financial need using income guidelines and family size. This is the same program available at the parochial grade schools.
- **Diocesan Tuition Assistance (DTA)**: Established through the Ignite Campaign, DTA uses the same application process as CTO with expanded income guidelines
- **Dowling Catholic:** Provides tuition assistance to families with a demonstrated household financial need. DCHS uses the same application as CTO and DTA. Families may qualify for assistance from all programs depending on calculated financial need. Click here for eligibility guidelines.

How is tuition assistance impacted by the new ESA program?
The process and timeframe for the distribution of ESA funds is still being determined, therefore it is imperative that families proceed with the tuition assistance process. Receiving tuition assistance does not affect ESA eligibility and can only help a family's financial situation.

How do I apply for tuition assistance?
Complete *one* online application *per household* to apply for all programs. To complete the application, you must have a copy of your completed 2022 Federal Tax Return. If you are not required to file a federal tax return, please contact the DCHS Business Office at 515-222-1050 for instructions.
- Complete the **online application** at www.fairapp.com (available in English and Spanish). You will need a valid email address and a VISA or MasterCard to pay the $29 fee.
- Click the "Parent Login" link and read the information page
    - New Users: click "create new login"
    - Returning Users: use email and password from last year
- Click "Create a New Application" and enter **School Code: 450 | School Password: 450ddm**
    o Click the instructions link on the left - you can print for reference
    o List all dependents, including those in college, grade school, public school or not yet in school. List grade, school name and school ID # for each dependent as of the 2023-2024 school year. Use **School ID #451** for DCHS students.
    o Verify the application for accuracy and pay the $29 fee
    o You will receive confirmation instructions and an email explaining how to submit your required documentation to FAIR

Important Dates
- April 18, 2023 - Application due date. If you miss this 1st deadline, CTO awards may be less depending on available funds.
- June 2023 - DCHS plans to communicate the CTO/DTA/DCHS awards the first week of June for applications received by FAIR with all required documentation and the application fee by the April 18th deadline.
- August 31, 2023 - Any applications received after April 18th but before July 31st will be considered late and processed in mid-August. Awards for late applications will be communicated by August 31st after school starts.

Questions? Call Randy Hanten at 515-222-1050 or email rhanten@dowlingcatholic.org. If you need assistance completing the application, please call Randy to set up an appointment as soon as your 2022 taxes are done. For Spanish-speaking assistance, please contact Paula Plasencia at 515-222-1077.