Austin Catholic High School
Scholarships, Grants & Discounts
2027-2028

Merit-Based Scholarships

- **St. Augustine Academic Scholarship**
  $3,000 per year
  - Students who score between 95-99% on the High School Placement Test.
  - Student must maintain a 3.85 GPA to renew each year.

- **St. Monica Academic Scholarship**
  $2,000 per year
  - Students who score between 90-94% on the High School Placement Test.
  - Student must maintain a 3.85 GPA to renew each year.

- **St. Thomas Academic Scholarship**
  $1,000 per year
  - Students who score between 84-89% on the High School Placement Test.
  - Student must maintain a 3.75 GPA to renew each year.

- **St. Rita Academic Scholarship**
  $500 per year
  - Students who score between 80-83% on the High School Placement Test.
  - Student must maintain a 3.5 GPA to renew each year.

Incoming 9th Grade Scholarships

- Application Opens: December 1, 2026
- Application Deadline: March 15, 2027

- **Austin Players Drama Scholarship - $500**
  Students will submit a 1–3-minute video performing a monologue from a theatrical piece. This can include plays, musicals, and/or a modern piece such as television shows and/or movies. Please start the video with an introduction and what it is you will be performing. Maximum of two winners.

- **Art Scholarship - $500**
  Students will submit three different pieces of work. One piece should showcase your drawing skills and use of light and dark values (rendering). The other two pieces may be of any medium. Maximum of two winners.

- **Music Scholarship - $500**
  Students will submit a 1–3 minute video performing a vocal or instrumental performance displaying their talent. Please start the video with an introduction and what you will be performing. Maximum of two winners.

- **STEAM Innovation Scholarship - $500**
  STEAM classes at ACHS practice innovative discipleship, which means to serve God using creative problem solving. Students will submit a 250-word description of a completed project or an idea for a project that demonstrates innovative discipleship using STEAM as a force for doing good. Maximum of two winners.

- **Christian Service Scholarship - $500**
  Students will list all works of Christian service completed in the last two years, including the name of the organization and dates. Please explain what you learned about yourself and others through this service. Maximum of two winners. Maximum of two winners.

- **Leadership Scholarship - $500**
  Students will demonstrate leadership through clubs, sports, and extracurriculars by listing all leadership positions and duties you have held the last two years. Describe what being a leader has taught you about yourself and others, your greatest accomplishment as a leader, and a struggle you had to overcome in one of your leadership positions. Maximum of two winners.

- **Anthony & Joyce Kasper Scholarship - $1,000**
  Students will submit a 250-word essay addressing the following question: *How will an ACHS education benefit you?* This is a non-renewable scholarship available to incoming freshman only and is funded by 1956 Friar Alumni Anthony Kasper's family, who will select one winner.

Returning Student Scholarships

- Application Opens: December 1, 2026
- Application Deadline: March 15, 2027

- **Veritas (Truth) Scholarship - $500**
  - Students will submit a 200-word essay explaining how your pursuit of truth has been a journey inward and outward while attending ACHS.
  - Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.7 or higher.
- **Unitas (Unity) Scholarship - $500**
  - Students will submit a letter written to a future student explaining why involvement in student activities, sports, and clubs is essential to building a school community and uniting all students.
  - Student must participate in two or more clubs and/or activities.
- **Caritas (Love) Scholarship - $500**
  - Students will submit a 200-word essay describing their most moving and memorable service initiative they completed while attending ACHS. A printout of student hours must be submitted with the essay.
  - Student must have met or exceeded the Christian service requirement for the previous year in attendance at ACHS.
- **Crusader Spirit Scholarship - $500**
  - Awarded annually to a student that is involved in athletics and clubs, and goes above and beyond the definition of school spirit. This student positively influences ACHS and the Crusader community by encouraging participation, sharing their spirit daily, and sparking engagement among peers, staff, and community.
  - Student will be selected based on the criteria above, and the recipient will be announced at the end-of-the-year Awards Banquet. No application required. Nomination and selection by selected committee.

Financial Aid

Austin Catholic High School Grants

- Application Opens: December 1, 2026
- Application Deadline: Rolling

Archdiocese of Detroit (AOD) Tuition Assistance

The AOD operates a *Tuition Grant Program* for Catholic families in Archdiocesan schools. Families interested in applying for the *AOD Tuition Grant* must complete the online FACTS application. Grant awards are based on financial need demonstrated through the FACTS application and the school's award amount from the AOD. Information regarding assistance from the AOD is available on their website: www.aod.org.

- **Application Opens: December 14, 2026**
- **Application Deadline: February 26, 2027**

Discounts

- **Catholic Employee Discount – 25% off**
  - Students whose parent is a full-time employee of a Catholic church or school.
- Employment verification is required.

Catholic Education Discount - $500
Students who attended a Catholic school their 8th grade year are eligible.

- **Military and First Responder Discount - $1,500 (active military); $1,000 (active police/fire/EMS); $750 (retired military).**
  - Parents must show proof of service each year to have the discount applied. This discount applies to students of active military, retired military, active reservists, border patrol, police, and fire personnel.
- **Friar Alumni Discount - $500 per student**
  - Grandchild or great-grandchild of a Friar Alumni.
  - Renewable each year.
- **Sibling Discount – Amount Varies**
  - Two students: $1,500 (applied to the second enrolled student's tuition).
  - Three students: $4,000 (applied to the second and third enrolled students' tuition).
- **Family Referral Discount – Amount Varies**
  - $250 per NEW family referred.
  - Up to $1,250 (Five referrals max per year).

Scholarship Submission Process:

Each file submitted should include your student's first and last name and the scholarship they are applying for in the email subject line. Essays can be sent in PDF or JPEG form to: Austin2@austincatholichighschool.org.

Grant Submission Process:

Only one FACTS *Grant and Aid Application* is needed to apply for both the ACHS and the AOD tuition grants. The AOD requires all applicants be a registered parishioner of an AOD parish, and will need to submit a *Pastor Signature Form*. Please email signed form to: Austin2@austincatholichighschool.org.

Discount Submission Process:

All discount verifications submitted should include your student's first and last name in the email subject line. Verifications can be sent to: Austin2@austincatholichighschool.org.

For questions regarding financial assistance, please contact:
ACHS Finance Manager Ms. Maria Mcphail
at 586-200-0143, ext. 200 or mmcphail@austincatholichighschool.org.