

**The Mission of
St. Francis of Assisi School:**

St Francis of Assisi School provides students in 3K through 8th grade the opportunity to learn spiritually, academically, emotionally, according to the life and teachings of Jesus Christ.



In 2013, St. Francis of Assisi School was chosen to become a Wisconsin Parental Choice Program school.

Parents who qualify may have their child's full tuition costs paid through the school choice program.

Where can I find more information about the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program?

Department of Public Instruction
(608) 266-2853 or (608) 266-0523
<http://sms.dpi.wi.gov/wpcp-statewide>

School Choice Wisconsin at:
(414) 319-9160
<http://www.chooseyourschoolwi.org>

Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent Schools at:
(608) 287-1224
<http://www.wcris.org>

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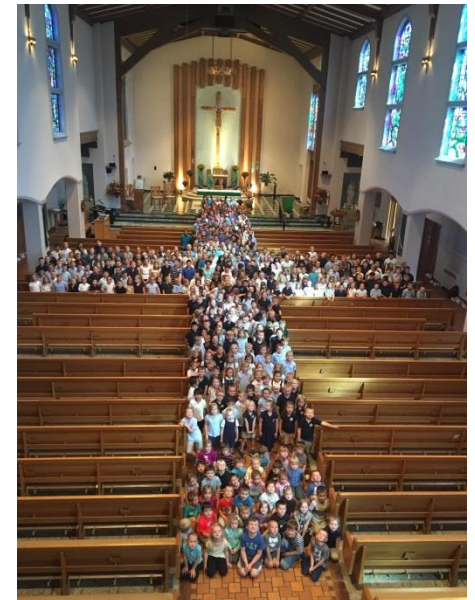


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**WISCONSIN
PARENTAL
CHOICE
PROGRAM**



What Parents Want to Know about School Choice and St. Francis of Assisi School



Wisconsin Parental Choice Program

Effective July 1, 2013 parents across the entire state of Wisconsin gained the ability to send their children to schools that best fit each child's needs.

The Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) pays for a child's tuition to a private or religious school. The program is limited to those families with incomes below 220% of the federal poverty level. Student applications for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program must be submitted online and verified by April 20, 2018.

Who is Eligible for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program?

Beginning in the 2016-17 school year, any pupil entering grades K4, K5, 1, or 9 is eligible, provided they meet the income requirements. If they are not in the grades listed above, they are only eligible if they are transferring from public school or have never been enrolled in a school (ie: homeschoolers).

What can I do if I don't qualify for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program?

Even without the WPCP, we are committed to work with any family that wants a Catholic education at St. Francis of Assisi. Tuition assistance is available for students who wish to attend our great school. Please apply for financial aid and let us work with you.

Do I Meet the Income Requirements?

To meet the income requirements for the program, a student's family must have an **adjusted gross income** at or below 220% of the federal poverty level. Here are the 2018-2019 income guidelines:

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Single family</u>	<u>Married Family</u>
2	\$35,728	-
3	\$44,924	\$51,924
4	\$54,120	\$61,120
5	\$63,316	\$70,316
6	\$72,512	\$79,512

***For each additional family member add \$9,196**

Do I Need to Apply Every Year?

All valid applications will either be accepted or placed on the waiting list. The law allows a student to remain in the program as long as the school your son or daughter attends remains in WPCP. Each year parents need to update their information online and provide residency documentation.

What if My Income Increases Next Year?

Family income may rise once a student is in the statewide school choice expansion. Family income is determined for each student in the year they enter the program. Families could have some children that qualify and others that do not, depending on family income in the year each child enters the program.



How do I apply for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program?

To apply for the program, a parent or guardian must complete an online application that will be available during the open enrollment period from February 1 to April 20, 2018. A link to the application is available at: <http://www.school.sfamanitowoc.org/> or <https://apps4.dpi.wi.gov/ChoiceParent/>.

Within the online application, the parent or guardian selects the school to which they wish to apply, for each one of their children. After completing the online application, the parent or guardian must provide proof that they meet residency and income requirements at the schools that they have applied to. The online application is not complete until each school to which the parent or guardian has applied has verified and accepted the required documentation.

What if I Do Not Have Access to a Computer or I am Not Comfortable Applying Online?

St. Francis of Assisi School will have computers available to you along with confidential assistance. Please contact us if you any questions.

When will I know if My Child Was Accepted?

Within 60 days of submission of an application, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) and the individual school will contact parents to inform them whether their child has been accepted or their child has been placed on a waiting list.

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