



Tuition Assistance Information Meeting

December 11, 2024

Welcome & Opening Prayer



We Are Here to Help

- Jason Schiffli, *Principal*
- Susan Schenkel, *Business Manager*
- Molly Schreck, *Tuition & Scholarship Coordinator*
- Kim Cochran, *School Choice Coordinator*



2024-2025 Actual Tuition Costs

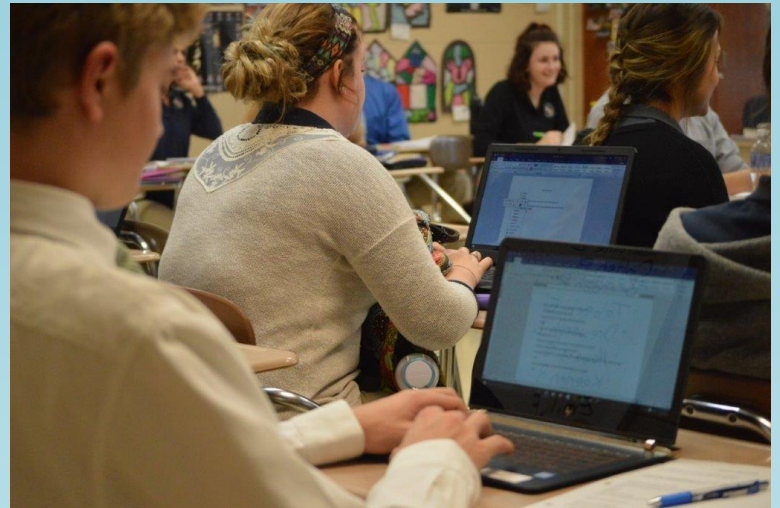
• **Parish Rate = \$10,003 ***

• **Non-Parish Rate = \$11,503 ***

Note: Pastor determines if a family is an active parishioner

Each student is required to have a laptop. Please do not purchase your laptop until the system requirements have been finalized and communicated.

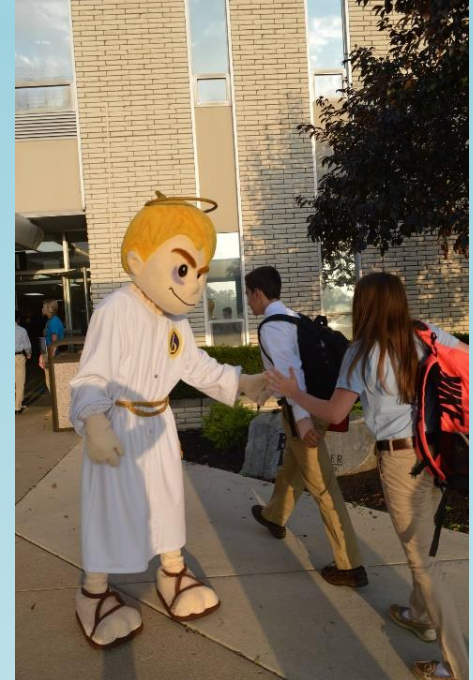
* Includes registration fee due upon enrollment, and one-time tech fee of \$130 added to tuition bill.



What is Financial Assistance?

- Approximately 85% of our families receive some form of financial assistance
- Over \$6.0 million is awarded each year:
 - Tuition Assistance from Bishop Dwenger
 - Indiana School Choice Scholarships
 - SGO Award
 - Merit-based BDHS Scholarships
 - Need-based BDHS Scholarships

**Our Goal:
Make Catholic
Education
Affordable for
Everyone**





Indiana Choice Scholarship

For a family to qualify for School Choice, there are two factors to consider:

1. Indiana Residency
2. Total Household Income
 - The income limits will be published on our website once the state publishes the official income limits for the 25-26 program year

To apply for the 2025-2026 school year, contact Kim Cochran at 496-4705 or kcochran@bishopdwenger.com.

Indiana Choice Scholarship 2024-2025 Income Eligibility

Annual Household Income Limits based on 2023 Adjusted Gross Income.
Annual Income Limits and Award Amounts for 2025-2026 will be available in 2025.

Household Size	Full Choice Scholarship
	Effective 6/29/2024 (90% school corp. funding) (400% of fed. free/reduced lunch)
1	\$111,444
2	\$151,256
3	\$191,068
4	\$230,880
5	\$270,692
6	\$310,504
7	\$350,316
8	\$390,128
9	\$429,940
10	\$469,752

2024-2025 ESTIMATED Award Amounts

School District	Estimated Award Amount
FWCS	\$6,943.16
EACS	\$6,723.10
NWAC	\$6,114.00
SWAC	\$6,174.92

2024-2025 Tuition & Fees Example

	PARISH	NON-PARISH
TUITION	\$ 8,430.00	\$ 9,930.00
REGISTRATION FEE	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
CLASS FEES	\$ 543.00	\$ 543.00
BOOK FEES	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT FEE	\$ 425.00	\$ 425.00
ONE-TIME TECHNOLOGY FEE	<u>\$ 130.00</u>	<u>\$ 130.00</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$10,003.00	\$ 11,503.00
LESS: SCHOOL CHOICE-FWCS	<u>\$ (6,943.16)</u>	<u>\$ (6,943.16)</u>
NET TUITION & FEES	<u>\$ 3,059.84</u>	<u>\$ 4,559.84</u>
<i>10 Monthly payments</i>	\$ 313.98	\$ 463.98
<i>*includes \$80 FACTS Fee</i>		

**Estimated Tuition & Fees may be reduced
by one or more of the following:**

Financial Assistance... Amounts vary

SGO Award...Amounts vary (\$500 minimum)

BDHS Scholarship...Amounts vary (\$250-\$1,000)

**FACTS Grant & Aid Application required
for the above**

How to Apply



BISHOP DWENGER
HIGH SCHOOL

SEARCH



MENU



Bishop Dwenger High School

The Bishop Dwenger Community assists students in becoming
“Citizens of Two Worlds.”

[Principal's Welcome Message](#)



How to Apply

The screenshot shows the homepage of Bishop Dwenger High School. At the top left is the school's logo and name. A search bar is located at the top right. The main content area features a large banner with the school's name and a tagline. A navigation menu is on the right side, with a yellow arrow pointing to the 'Admissions' link.

BISHOP DWENGER HIGH SCHOOL

SEARCH

BISHOP DWENGER HIGH SCHOOL
CITIZENS OF TWO WORLDS

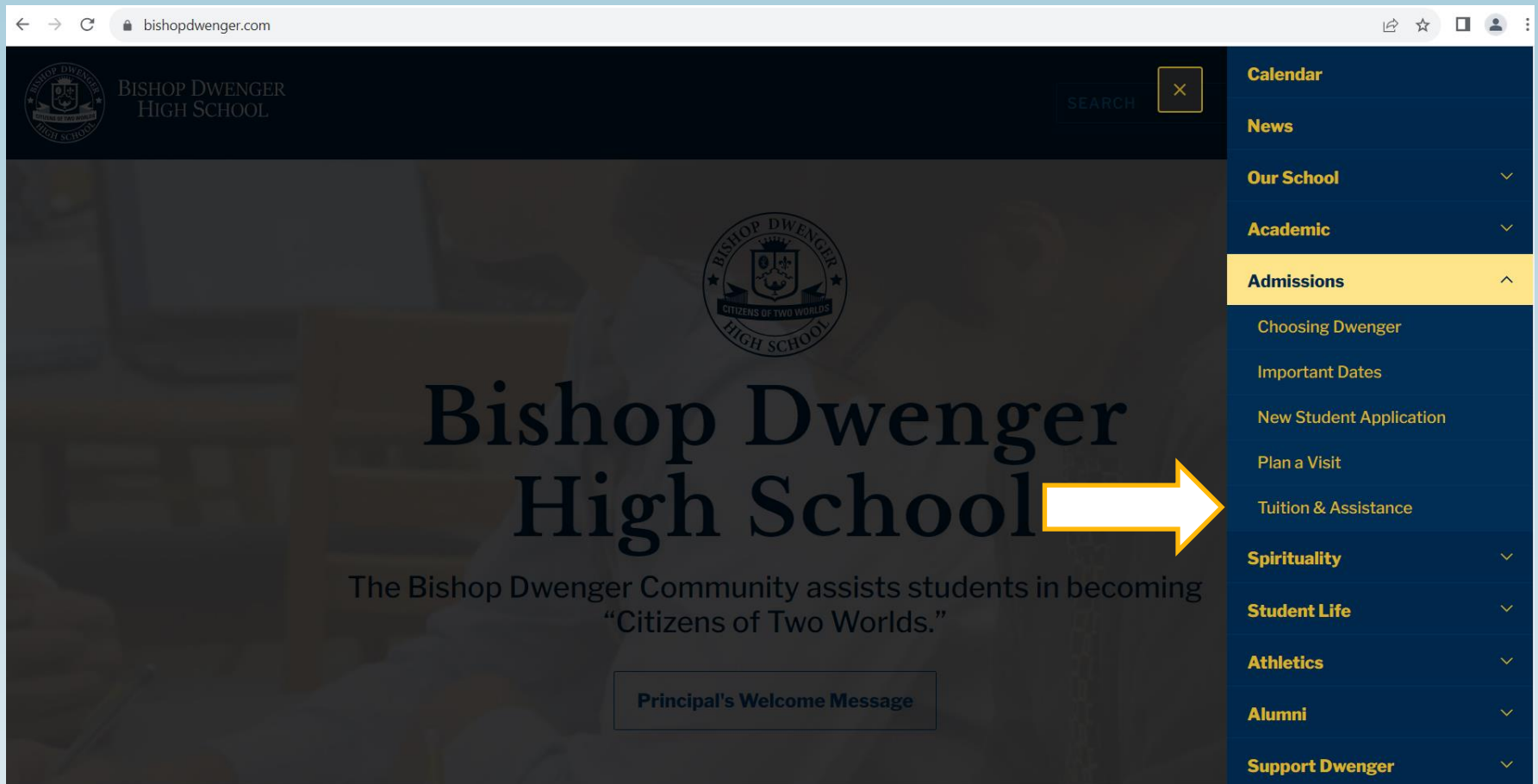
Bishop Dwenger High School

The Bishop Dwenger Community assists students in becoming "Citizens of Two Worlds."

[Principal's Welcome Message](#)

- Calendar
- News
- Our School
- Academic
- Admissions**
- Spirituality
- Student Life
- Athletics
- Alumni
- Support Dwenger
- Daily Announcements

How to Apply



The screenshot shows the website for Bishop Dwenger High School. The browser address bar displays "bishopdwenger.com". The page features a dark blue header with the school's logo and name on the left, and a search bar on the right. A navigation menu is open on the right side, listing various categories: Calendar, News, Our School, Academic, Admissions (highlighted in yellow), Spirituality, Student Life, Athletics, Alumni, and Support Dwenger. Under the Admissions menu, several options are listed: Choosing Dwenger, Important Dates, New Student Application, Plan a Visit, and Tuition & Assistance. A large yellow arrow points from the "Tuition & Assistance" link to the main content area. The main content area features the school's logo, the name "Bishop Dwenger High School" in large text, and the tagline "The Bishop Dwenger Community assists students in becoming 'Citizens of Two Worlds.'" Below this is a button labeled "Principal's Welcome Message".

<https://www.bishopdwenger.com/tuition-and-assistance>

How to Apply

1. Recommended Deadline: April 15th
2. Fee: \$45 non-refundable application fee per family
3. Families with children attending multiple schools complete one application, include all students and all schools for which parents are paying tuition
 - Diocese can follow the status of an application through an online tracking system
 - Analysis and financial reports by FACTS are provided online to the Diocese
4. FACTS application is required for:
 - Tuition Assistance from Bishop Dwenger
 - Bishop Dwenger Scholarships (**not** School Choice)
 - SGO Award

How Much Assistance Will I Receive?

- FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment calculates need
- Bishop Dwenger receives a confidential report outlining your current financial status, based on the information obtained from your FACTS application
- Once the applications are processed, tuition assistance is awarded based on individual family need in direct proportion to other families applying for aid that year
- A family can still receive additional assistance even if a scholarship is awarded, including School Choice Scholarship and SGO Award

How Will I Know if My Family Receives Tuition Assistance?

FACTS Grant & Aid applications are reviewed by
the Principal and Business Manager

- You may be contacted by the Business Office or Principal for additional information
- Tuition bills will be emailed in July
- BDHS Tuition assistance may be adjusted based on scholarships received



SGO

(Scholarship Granting Organization)

The SGO award is granted by a school to students whose families meet the required income guidelines.

1. Applications for an SGO award are processed through FACTS. Once your application is verified, you are then considered for an SGO award
2. A student may receive one SGO award each year
3. Awards are approved in October, with a second round of determinations in January
4. Award amounts vary in size based upon available funds; minimum award is \$500

Scholarship 101

- A wide variety of Dwenger scholarships are available, with each having its own criteria
- To be eligible for a Dwenger scholarship award, students must complete the online application, available at bishopdwenger.com, under “Admissions” and “Tuition & Assistance”
- Parents must also complete the FACTS Management Grant & Aid form (FACTS not needed for Choice Scholarship)



Scholarship 101

- The Bishop Dwenger Merit Scholarship is the only merit-based scholarship; awards are allocated solely on results of Merit Exam, administered in December of 8th grade year
- All other Dwenger Scholarships are based on financial need and scholastic ability



Scholarship Application – Online

- Online scholarship & FACTS applications are due by April 15th
- Application must be completed in its entirety by the student
- Be sure to upload a Power School print out of current grades or a copy of your child's report card
- One signed recommendation form by a teacher, priest, coach, or administrator (non-family) is required. Form should be printed from the scholarship application, then uploaded to the application once signed.
- Essay required

Scholarship Application Process

- Applications are reviewed by the scholarship committee in the summer
- Committee recommendations are made based on quality of application
- Award is then allocated based on FACTS information and quality of application
- Notification of award will be included on the tuition invoice emailed in July



Future Scholarships



- A new FACTS application must be completed each year by the parent
- A new scholarship application and essay must be completed each year by the student

2024 – 2025 Tuition & Fees Example (cont'd)

	PARISH	NON-PARISH
NET TUITION & FEES	\$ 3,059.84	\$ 4,559.84
LESS: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	\$ (500.00)	\$ (500.00)
LESS: BDHS SCHOLARSHIP	\$ (500.00)	\$ (500.00)
LESS: SGO AWARD	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.00)
NET TUITION & FEES – ESTIMATED	<u>\$ 2,059.84</u>	<u>\$ 3,559.84</u>
<i>10 Monthly payments *includes \$80 FACTS Fee</i>	\$ 213.98	\$ 363.98

Paying Your Tuition

ALL families are required to enroll in a FACTS Payment Plan during enrollment

FACTS Payment Plan Options:

Option 1 - Payment(s) at school by check or cash (no fee)

- Full Payment by August 1st *or*
- Pay half by August 1st and remaining half by December 1st

Option 2 - Semi-Annual Automatic Payments (\$30 fee)

- Two (2) semi-annual payments through FACTS Management by August 1st and remaining half by February 20th

Option 3 - Monthly Automatic Payments (\$80 fee)

- Ten (10) monthly payments through FACTS Management, or a partial payment at school by August 1st and the remaining balance in ten (10) monthly payments through FACTS Management

Payment Types available through FACTS:

- *Auto-Debit from checking or savings account on the 5th or 20th of each month*
- *Credit or Debit Card, plus convenience fee*

Free or Reduced-Price Meals

To apply for free or reduced-price meals, complete the form on BD website under “Policy/Forms” located in the Quick Links section of the website; 2025-2026 application will be available after July 1st

Bishop Dwenger High School
The Bishop Dwenger Community assists students in becoming
"Citizens of Two Worlds."

[Principal's Welcome Message](#)

Important Happenings [Full Calendar](#) [Daily Announcements](#)

- DEC 5** Financial Aid Night
Financial Aid Night
- DEC 7** All School Mass
All School Mass
- DEC 9** Christmas Formal Dance
Christmas Formal Dance

Quick Links

- [Canvas](#)
- [PowerSchool](#)
- [Faculty & Staff](#)
- [Policies & Forms](#)
- [Guidance](#)
- [MyPaymentsPlus](#)
- [Donate Now](#)
- [Athletics](#)

Free or Reduced-Price Meals

- Applications should be sent to the attention of Susan Schenkel, Business Manager, by August 1st to be in effect the first day of school
- Families with children attending multiple schools will need to complete an application with each school



Business Office Timeline



JANUARY 15, 2025

Application Deadline



MARCH/APRIL 2025

Choice Scholarship Application window opens for 2025-2026



APRIL 15, 2025

Financial Aid (FACTS) Application due
BDHS Scholarship Application due



JULY 2025

Tuition Statements emailed through FACTS



AUGUST 2025

First Tuition Payment Due



Contact Information

Business Office:

Susan Schenkel – *Business Manager*
260-496-4752
sschenkel@bishopdwenger.com

Molly Schreck – *Tuition, Scholarships & Payment Plans*
260-496-4704
mschreck@bishopdwenger.com

Kim Cochran – *School Choice*
260-496-4705
kcochran@bishopdwenger.com

Thank You!



Be the Saint you are called to be!